Wildcat

1968

Mary,

In all the years I've known you I've come to think of you as a sister. All the great times and bad times we've had together I'll never forget our quarrels or our laughter and sorrow of these years. I really can't express our relationship because I just am not creative with words.

We both have two more years of this school. Let's make them our best cause probably in two years we may be seperated. You will go your way and Donnie and I will go another way. (I hope)

Don't forget all those great times with various boys such as, Bones, Cline, Mack, etc. etc. I know you won't. Maybe we'll get to go to the beach together if everything turns out. I sure hope so.

I'm using this opportunity to thank you for all the wonderful gifts you and your family have given me. You and your family have been wonderful. Just like my own family in a way.

Maybe next year you and I can become cheerleaders. You know, it's possible, however, if we don't I'm sure we'll have a lot to do besides that. It won't be the end of the world.

Never forget the great trips we've taken to Asheville together and all the fun times.

If you ever find you a [illegible] Cherish every moment

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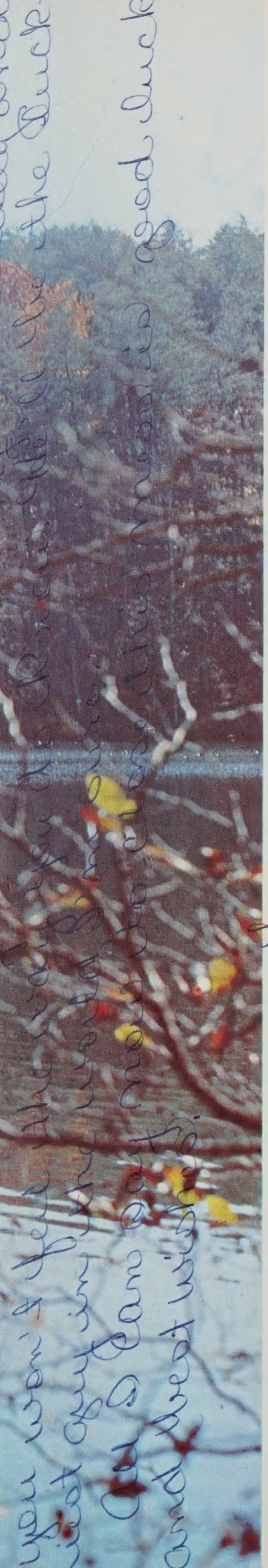

Spirit!

We're with you Mars Hill High, Let's Go! — A spine-tingling thrill each time you heard it; a deepening realization of the mutual feeling of unity and loyalty to our Alma Mater and to each other.

"We are the Wildcats, Mighty, Mighty, Wildcats." . . . a feeling of pride and honor arose within us each time we sang those words.

Yes, these were the words upon which we laid the foundation of our school spirit and tradition. We truly achieved the same great qualities of those Wildcats from whom we received our coveted name. Those fierce, courageous animals embedded in our hearts their own great desire to succeed and to excell in all undertakings.

Led by our teachers, the professors of knowledge, we grew to the rank of senior Wildcats. Though we encountered many foes, and were not always the victor, our Mighty Wildcat Warriors, watched over and spurred onward by the spirited student body, never lost their tremendous spirit and will to fight.

These are the moments of glory, success, and hard work we have attempted to preserve in this, our 1968 WILDCAT. It is our hope that we have captured a small portion of the school spirit that typifies Mars Hill in 1967-1968.

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Mary's Book

Wildcat

1968

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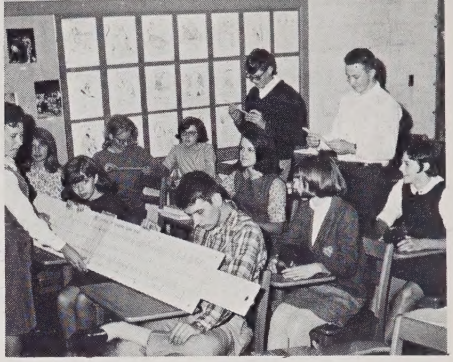

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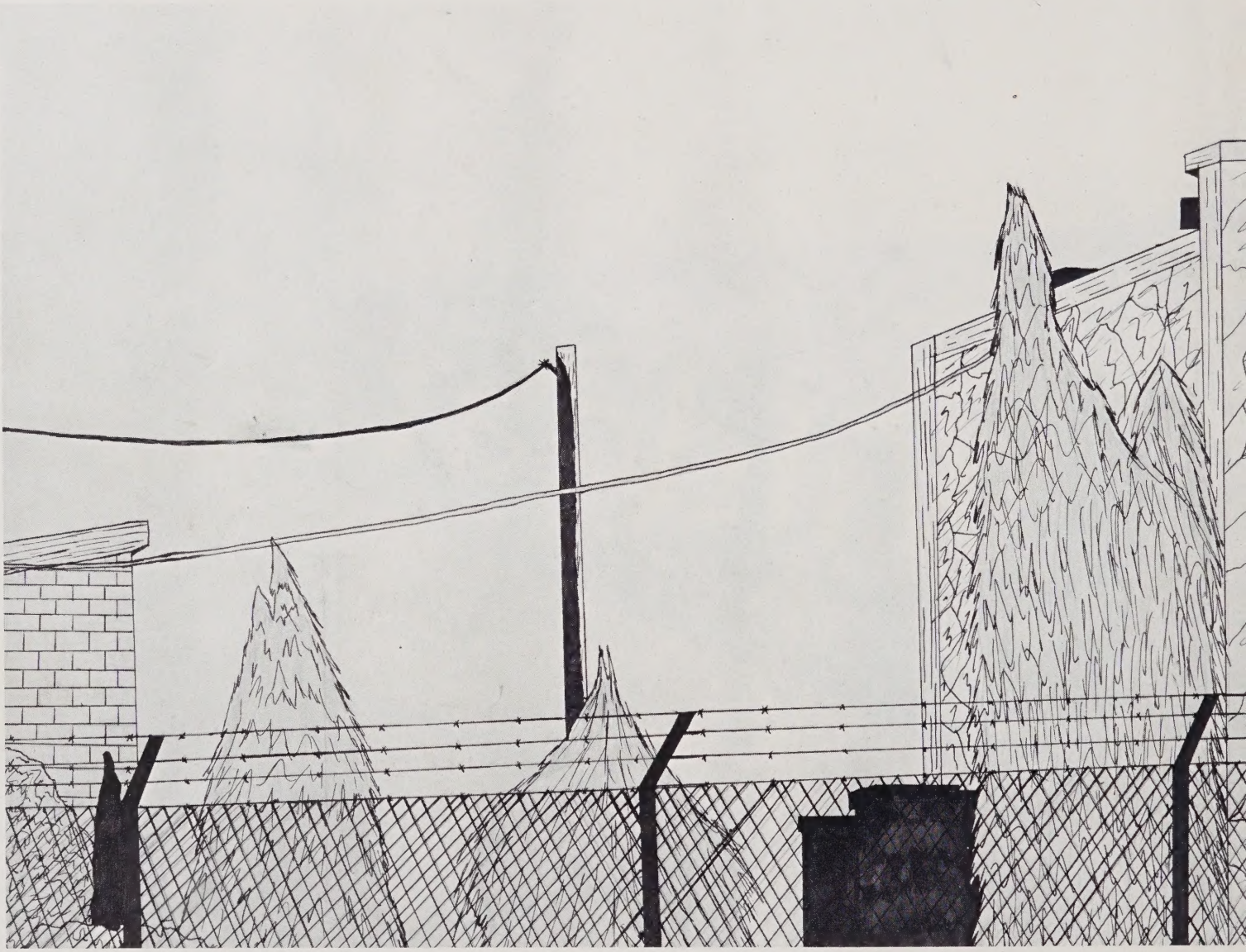

WE'RE WITH YA MARS HILL HIGH

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Roses are Red
Violets are Blue
You said you Love me
and I Love you to.
C.G.

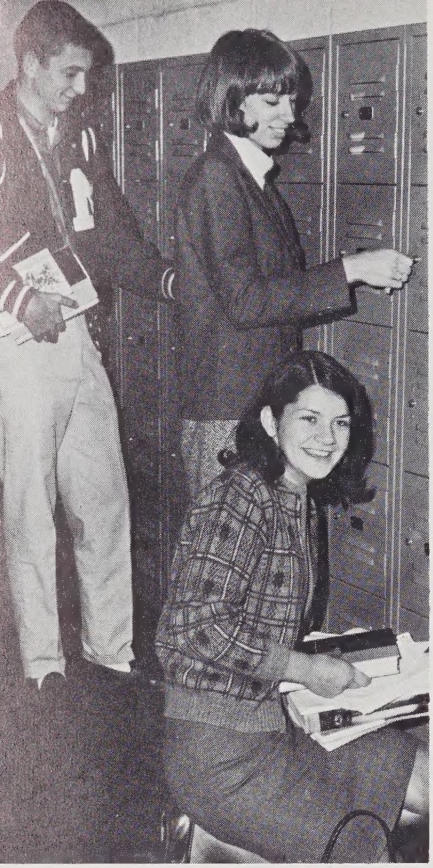
LET'S GO!

To one who has stood by us throughout our four years at Mars Hill High, and who has continually encouraged us down the road of success, we would like to express our gratitude and appreciation. For your endless efforts of integrity, wisdom, and desire to promote better citizens, we dedicate the 1968 WILDCAT to you, Mrs. Eileen Wood.

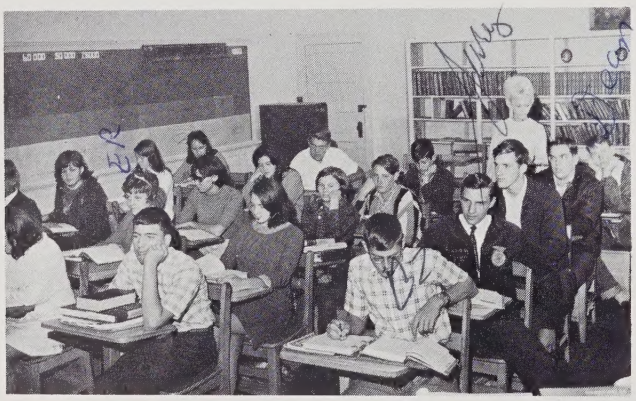
AN INDIVIDUAL . . .

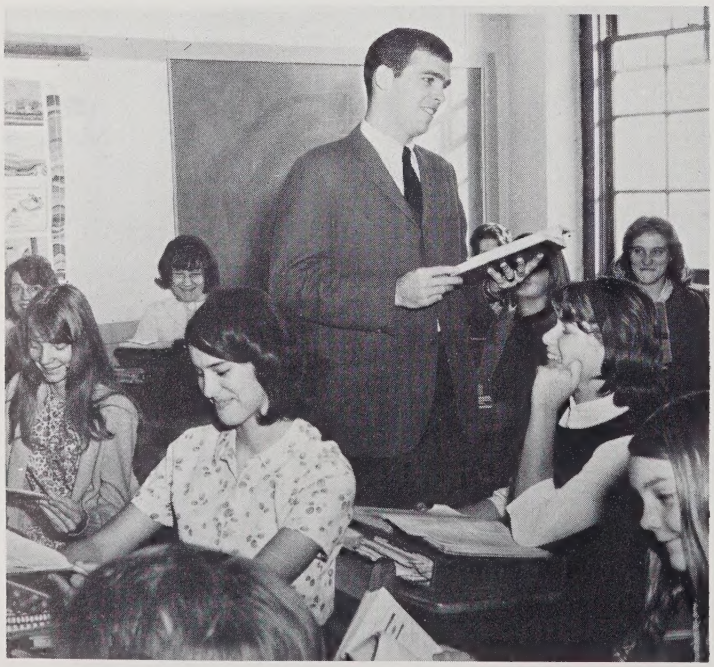
A FRIEND . . .

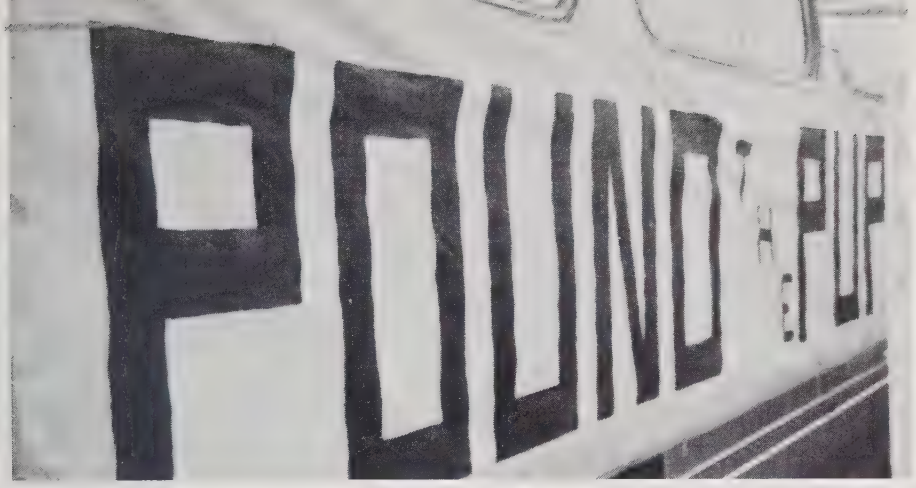
A TEACHER.

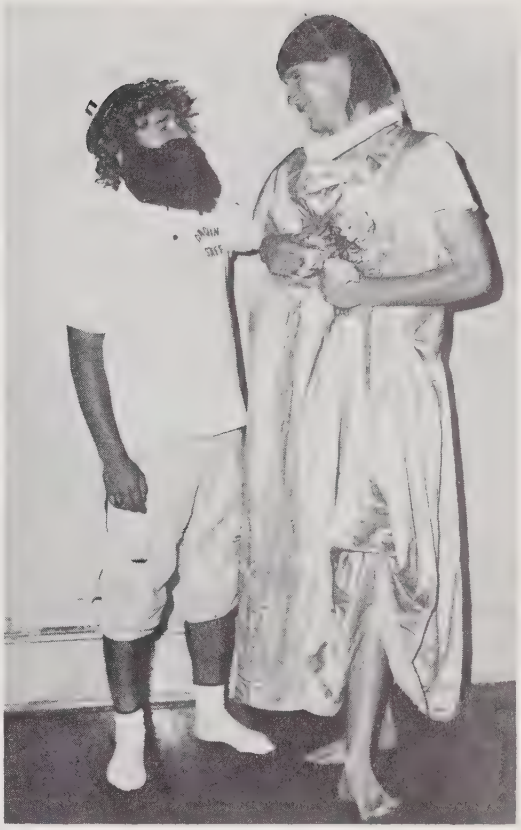


Out of bed at 7:00 or before, trying to gulp down a hasty breakfast. Alas, the roar of the school bus motor, that woeful sound so dreaded each morning, is heard all too soon. The endless procession of orange school buses depositing our drowsy bodies at the end of the brick building marked the beginning of our school day. Following a brief stop at our lockers, we met friends, exchanged greetings, and groaned over an upcoming test. However, when the 8:30 bell rang, we stopped whatever we were doing and hurried through the crowded halls to homeroom. Our five-period day began at 8:45. Activities in the various classrooms brought life to both of our buildings. Macbeth came to life quite vividly in Mrs. Wood's room as Mr. Carriker began dissecting frogs. The sewing machines began to hum in the home economics department, as across the way play rehersal got under way in Mrs. Moffitt's very active first period dramatics class. Food odors drifted in to Coach Sams' freshman physical science class, reminding students of the coming break for lunch. The basketball girls practiced vigorously, as Miss Hall's and Mr. Wallin's classes explored the worlds of mathematics and economics. When the fourth period bell beckoned, a quick after-lunch nap was in order before Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Suttles began their English lectures. Fifth period found Mrs. Phillips' class trying to concentrate above the din of activitity in the gym, and Mrs. McCurry's and Mrs. Norton's machinery competing against the clank of horseshoes. Mr. McCurry's math class found it hard to study to the tune of saws and hammers actively molding additions and



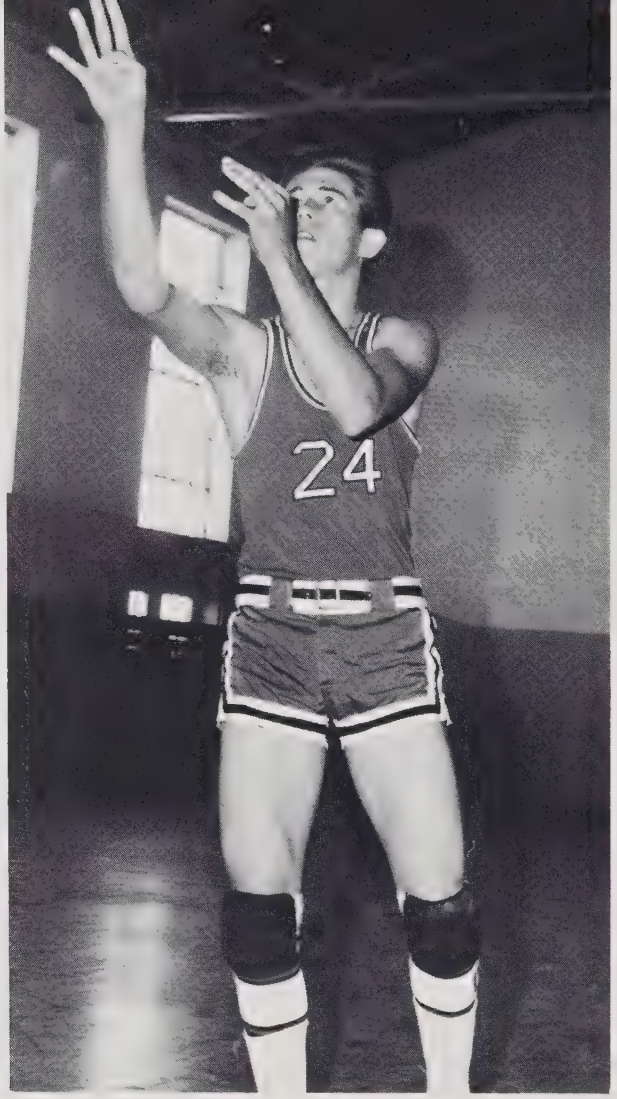






improvements. When the academic day was over at 3:00, many students chose to remain on the grounds and devote their afternoon hours to a variety of physical activities. During fall, the football squads spent many hours drilling in preparation for the weekend clash. In winter, interests turned to basketball, as the girls and boys anxiously awaited that first big game. In preparation for track and baseball season, Wildcat athletes were seen running around Bruce Road. When 5:00 p.m. arrived, exhausted but happy students returned home to a hot meal and rest. This however, was not the end of a typical day at Mars Hill. If we were lucky, we had a brief interlude at home before returning for school night life. It might have been a play rehearsal in the auditorium; perhaps it was a spirited game on the field or in the gym; or maybe it was that long awaited dance. Sometimes not soon enough and sometimes too soon, the day drew to a close. From August, 1967 until May 1968, there were 180 of these school days.

Boys' Track

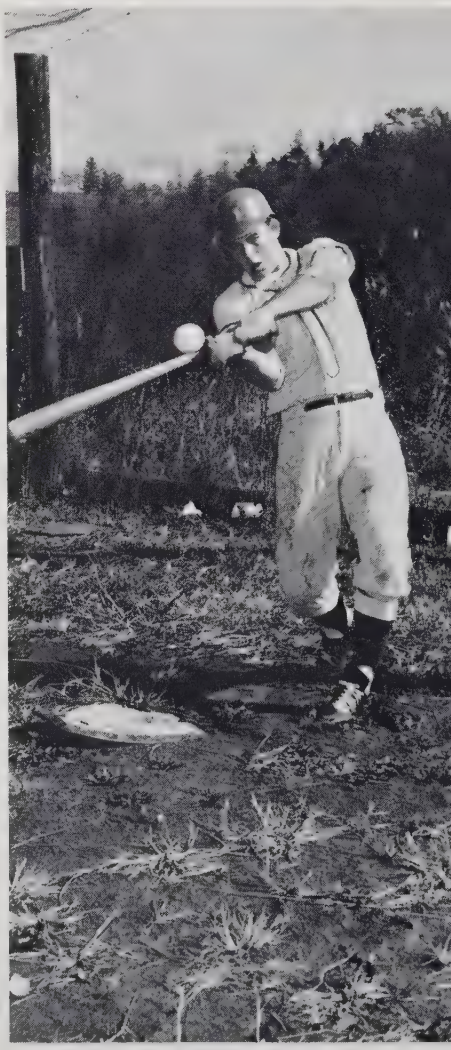


Boys' Basketball

Girls' Track

Long days of practicing bring the roar of victory or the silence of defeat. At least once a week, and often more frequently, the integrity and image of two schools teetered in the balance. Transformed from a rock structure and the somewhat formal classroom atmosphere, Mars Hill High became a bond among vigorous worshippers, who were once students, in a zest for their idols. M. H. H. became an irrestible force that drove her athletes through the jaws of defeat and into the gates of victory, breaking those forces which opposed it. The well of emotion uncovered by the rivalry surprised us — the boisterous pep rally, those tearful moments when the inevitability of defeat crept into the minds of Wildcat spectators, the tension of being behind with a few seconds to go, the delight caused by a homerun, the energy expended by each of us as we vicariously ran the 100-yard dash or sank the winning basket. Up until then, no one quite realized how deeply he appreciated the efforts of our Wildcat teams — after then, there was a deeply spirited rededication.

Girls' Basketball

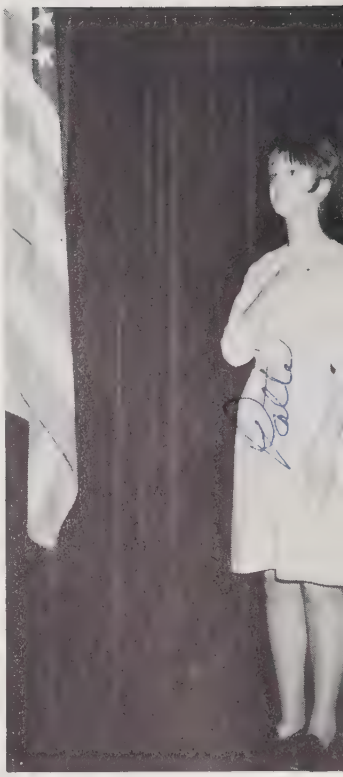


Baseball

Hard work, enthusiasm, cooperation, and sheer enjoyment go into many organizations at Mars Hill. Student life is enriched greatly by participation in a large range of activities which contribute much to our school spirit.

Future Teachers

Square Dance Team



Student Council

Beta

Math Club

Drama

Pep Club

The spirit of Mars Hill High is made up of varied components: teachers and students; sorrows which come with joys; friends and rivals, as well as loves. Our victories were sweet, our defeats bitter. We worked, but we also played. We were together, but often found moments to be alone. We had periods of failure, but above all, we succeeded!

SORROWS . . .

FRIENDS . . .

TEACHERS . . .

JOYS . . .

RIVALS . . .

STUDENTS . . .

LOVES.

THE GAMES WE WON . . .

AND LOST . . .

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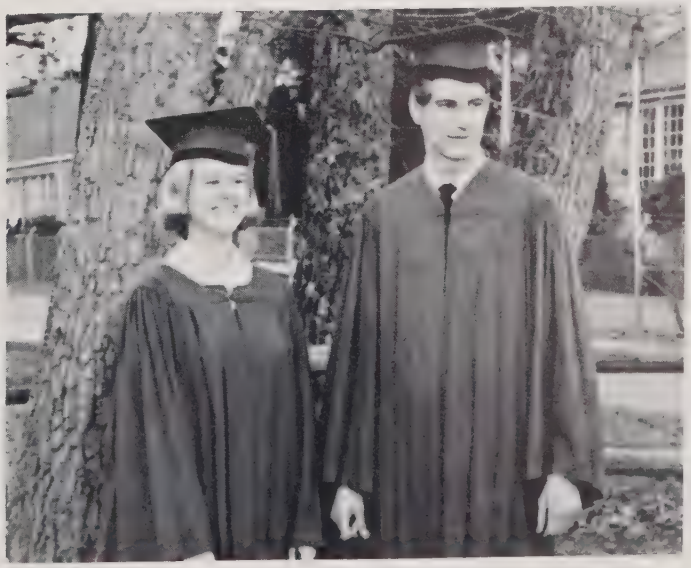
AND ALONE . . .

WE FAILED . . .

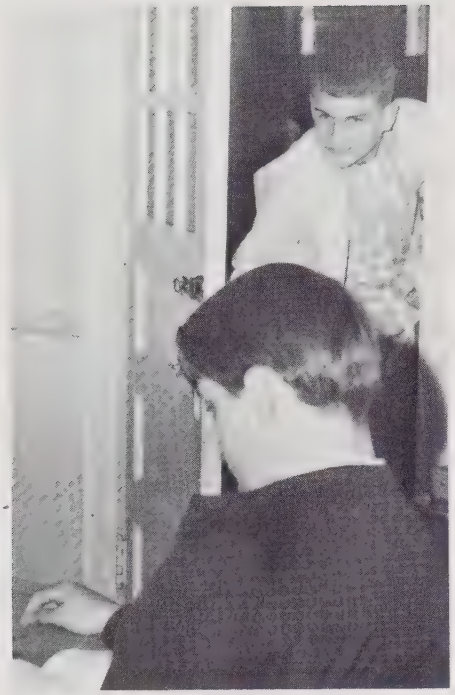


AND SUCCEEDED!

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

Illness! Fatigue! At death's door! Anything but face the first day of school. Especially lost were the members of the freshman class! However, we were soon drawn into the swing of things by football games, pep rallies, and the highly spirited varsity cheerleaders. September was highlighted by the powder-puff football game and the arrival of class rings, symbols of the twelve years of toil and accumulated knowledge of the seniors.

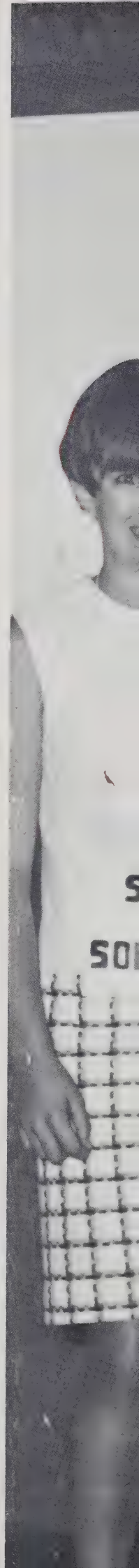


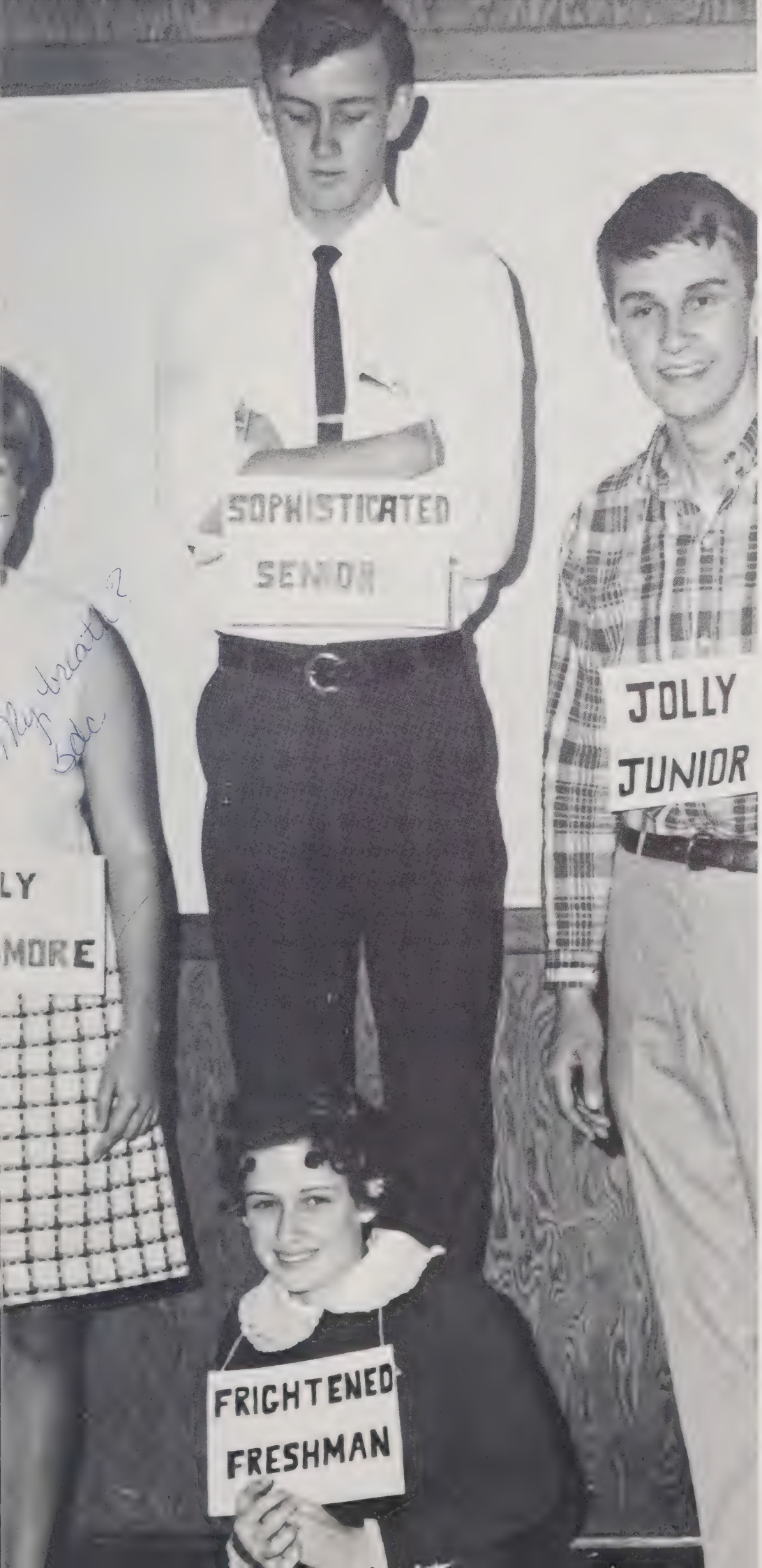
Oops! Wrong room!

Happiness is cheering!

Queen? For a day?

Success — long awaited!





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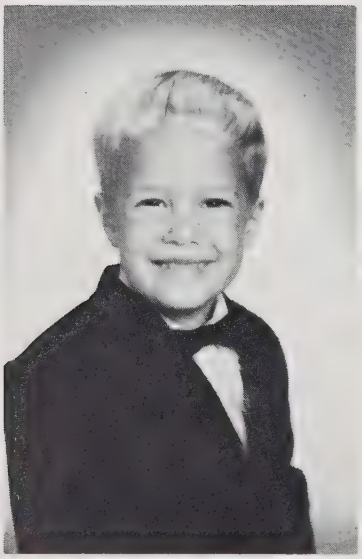
Linda Mc Curry

Eileen Wood



David Shook

Robin Hough

President .....Tony Sluder
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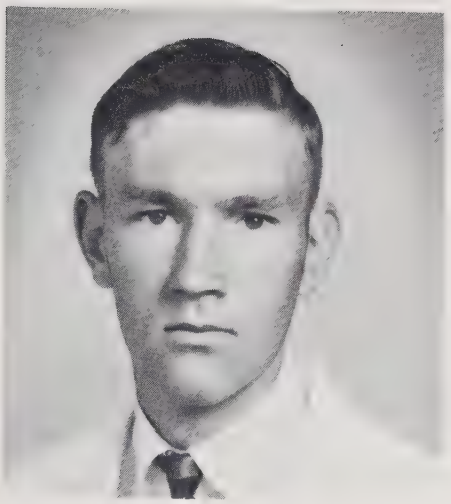
Paula Ammons



Robert Bailey

Molly Beaver

Roger Bradley

Jump Ball!

Carolyn Briggs

Sherry Briggs

David Capps

Judy Capps

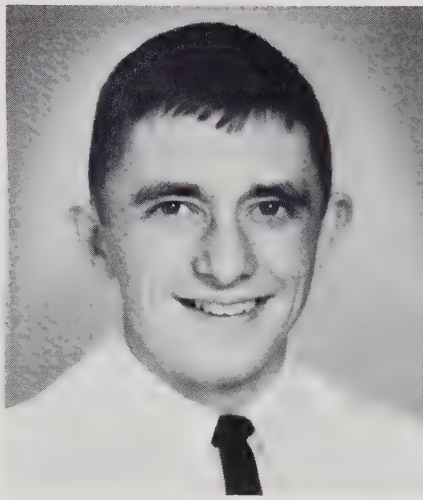
Rosa Lee Carver

Dorlas Chandler

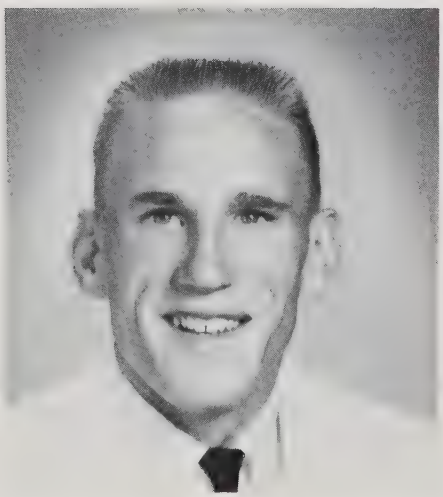
Patti Coates

Joyce Cody

It's in my knee — whoo-eeee!



Buddy Cox



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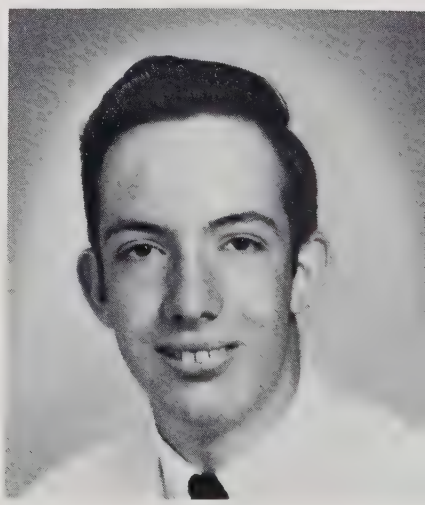
Kathy Debruhl



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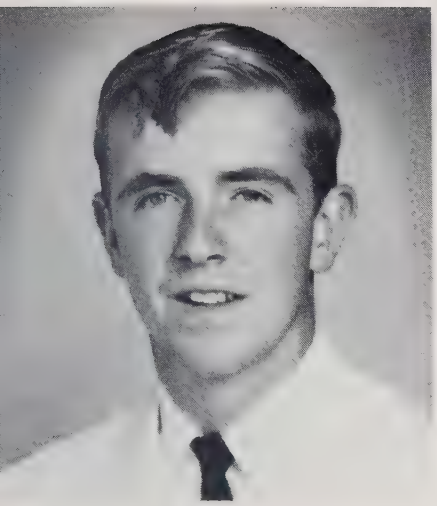

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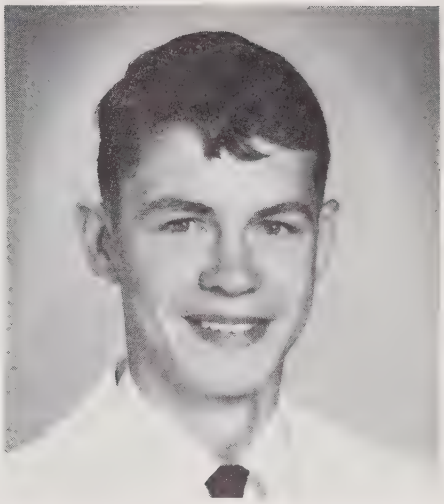
Jay Edwards



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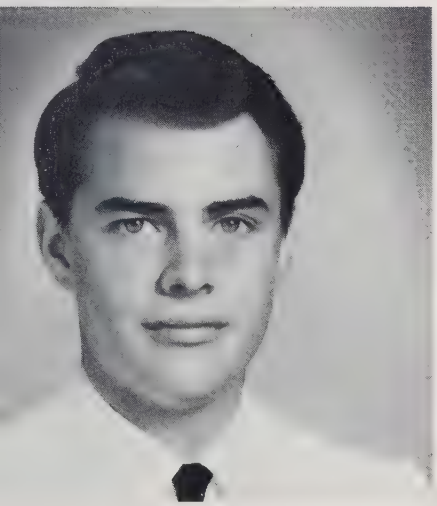

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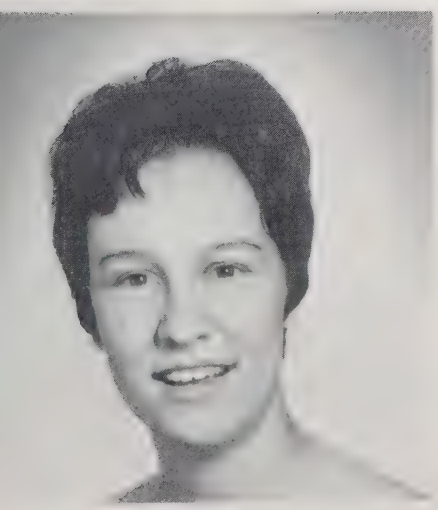

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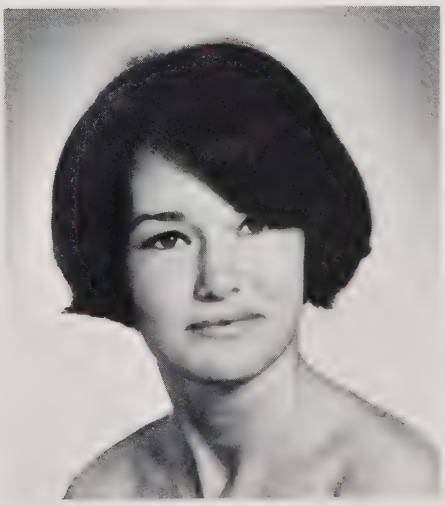

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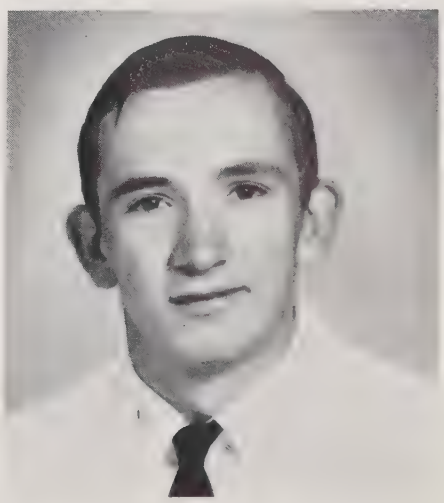

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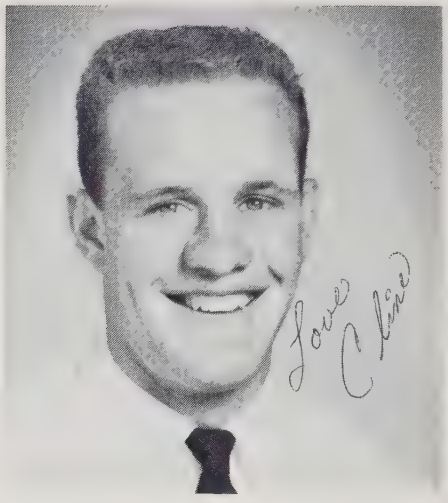

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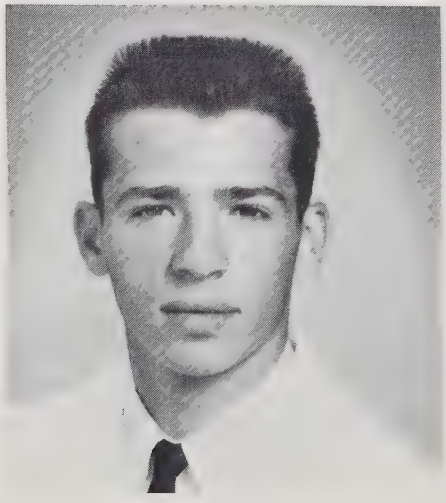
The grid iron is hot?

Wilma Gosnell



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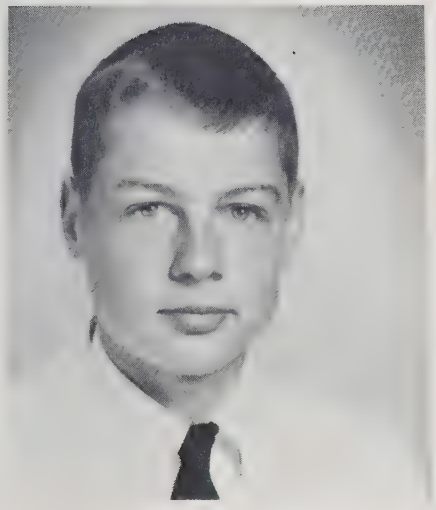

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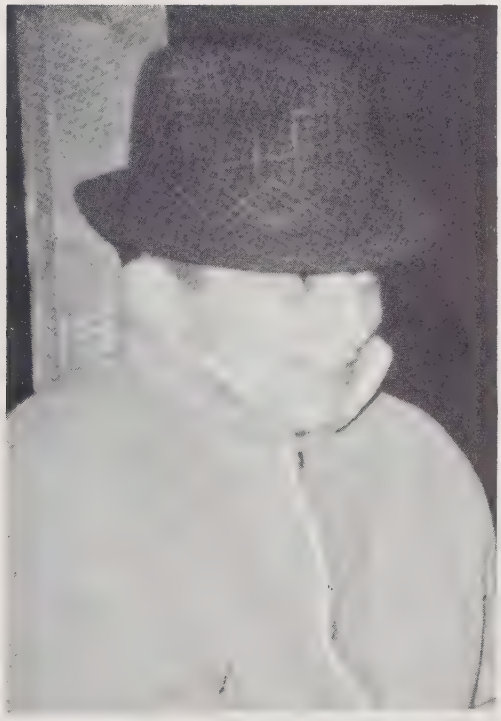
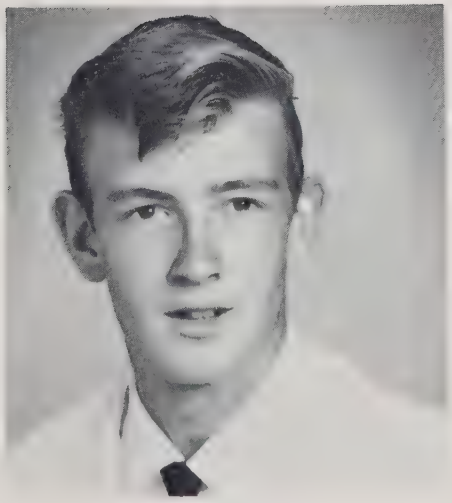


Rip 'em up, tear 'em up

Give 'em a — hard time!



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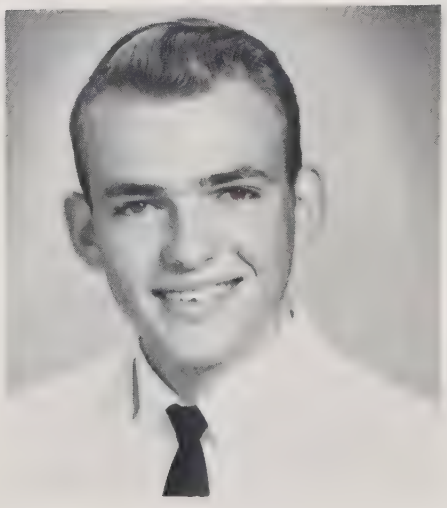

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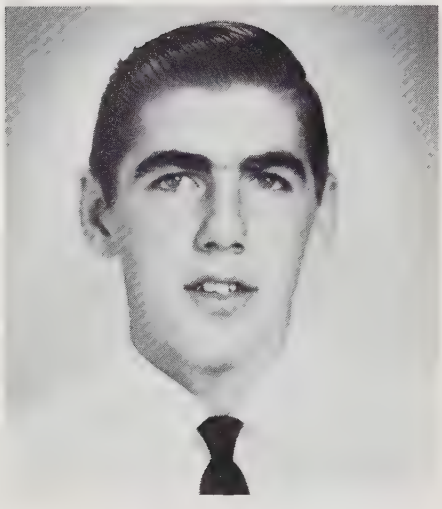
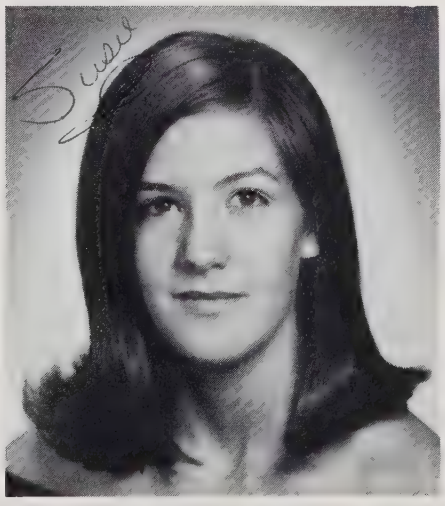


Garold Metcalf

A difficult task

A tight squeeze



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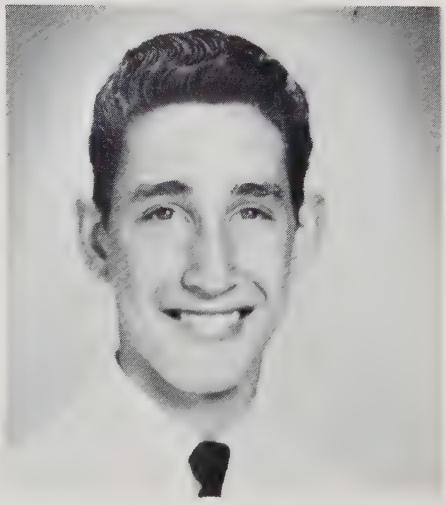

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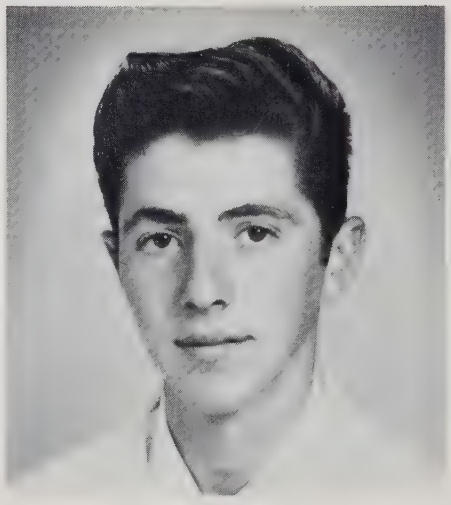

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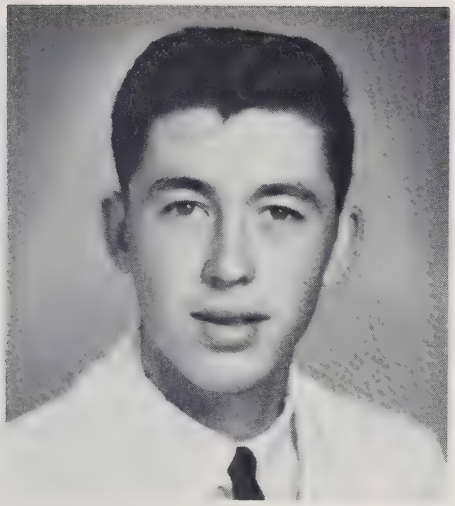

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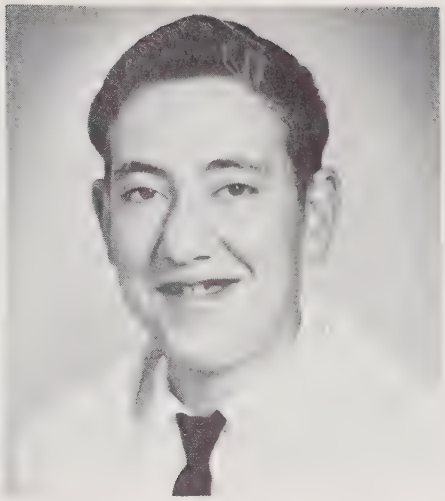

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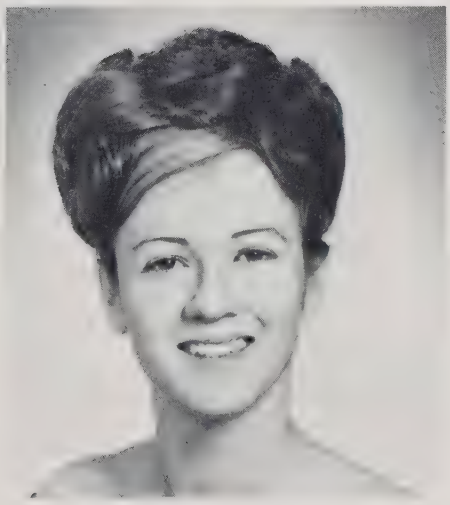
Vivian Ponder

Happiness is being together!



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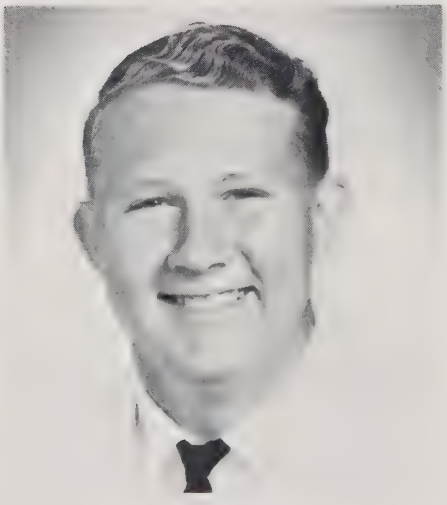

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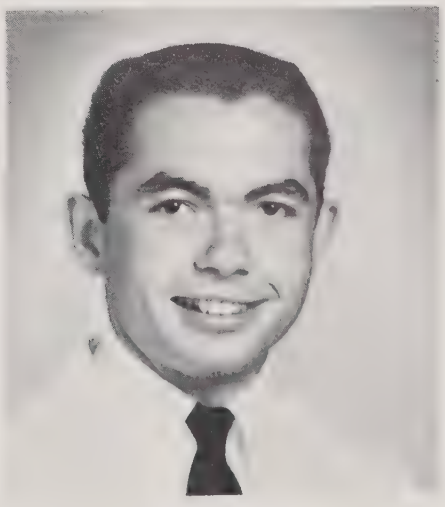

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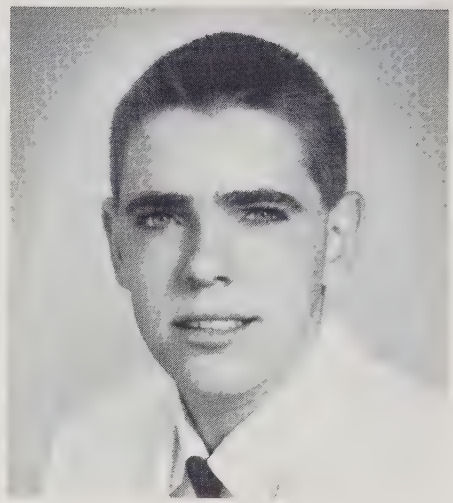

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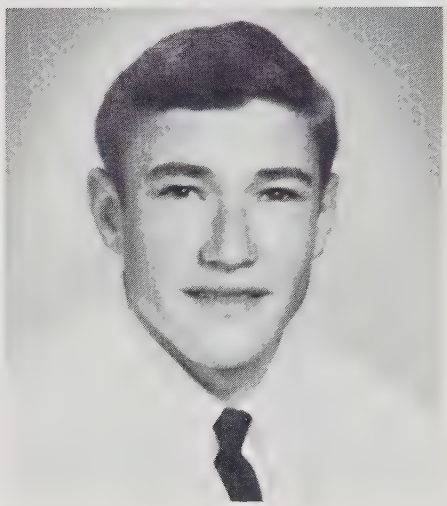
Kathy Robinson



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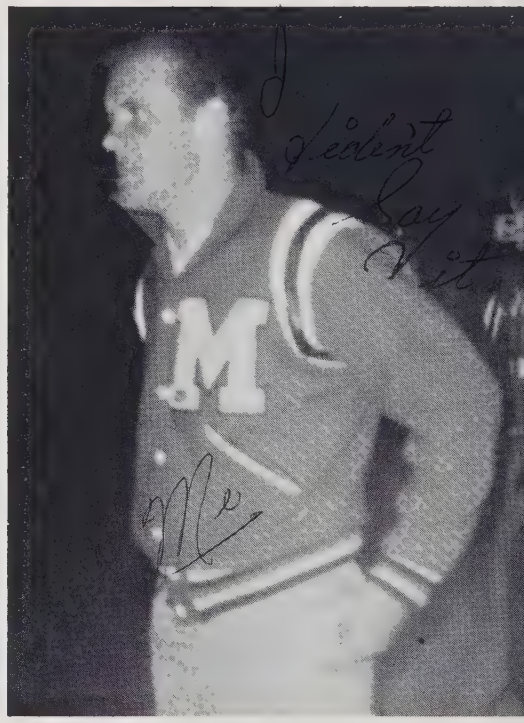

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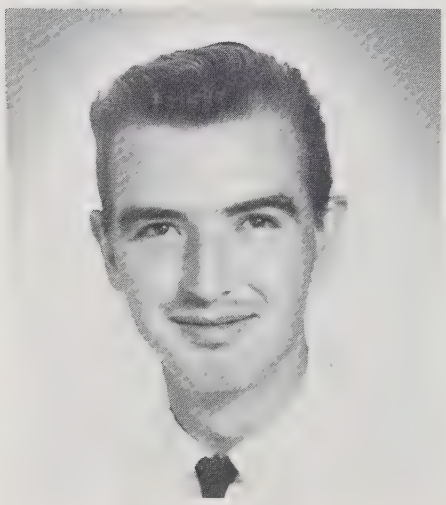

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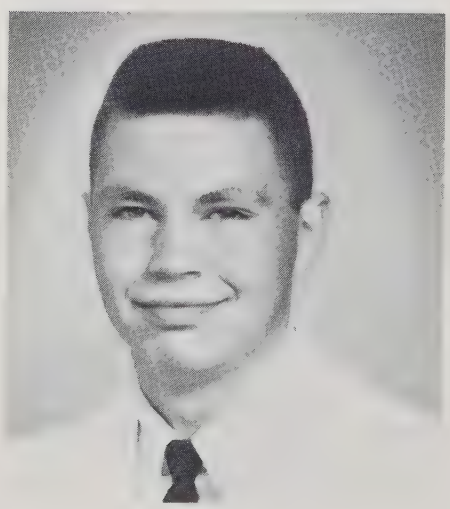

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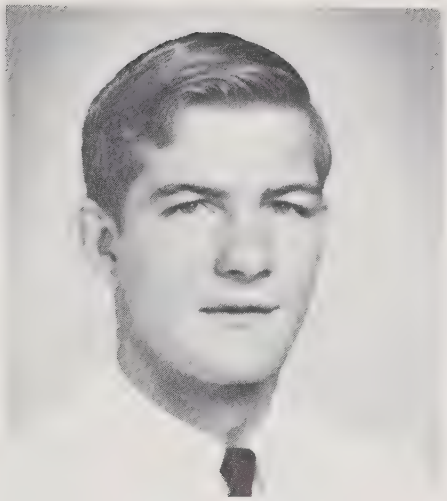
Janet Slagle



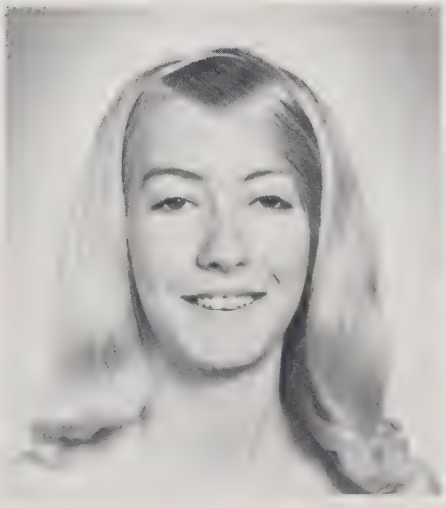
Tony Sluder

Sarah Fay Sprinkle

Nancy Thomas

Lines, lines, lines, lines!

Rosemary Tinsley



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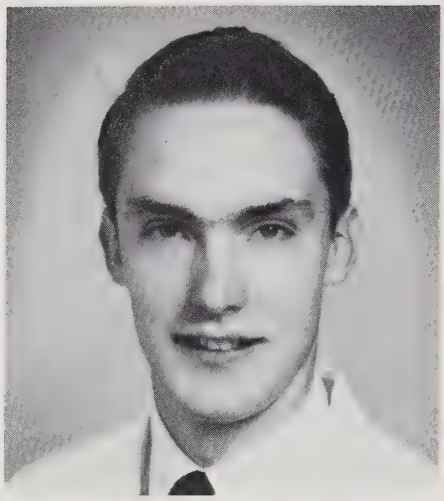

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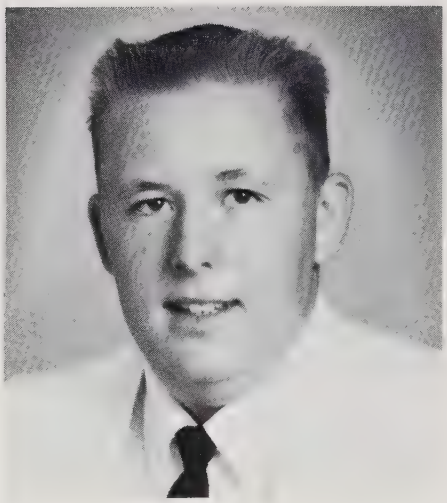

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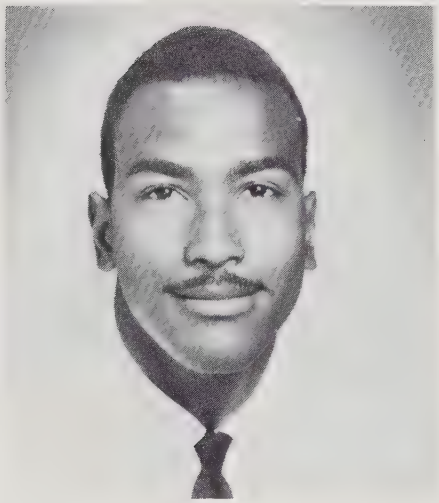
Juanita Willis



David Wilson

Harlen Wilson

"Yore cheatin' hart"

Peggy Wilson

Vinita Wilson

Larry Yelton

Ha! Ha! No spare!

As I see it!

Work! Work! Work!

Everybody's gotta scream!

Anticipation

Beauty and the beasts!

Give me a "V"!

Lovely hula hands!

It's in my ear!

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Senior Class of Mars Hill High, being of questionably sound mind, leave for posterity and other interested souls our Last Will and Testament for the year of our Lord, 1968.

To Mr. Fred Dickerson we leave our sincere gratitude to a man who is too often taken for granted in his quest for building or rebuilding worthy citizens of tomorrow.

To the faculty we leave the memories of four long years of work and play. Your task has been a thankless one and your diligence in matters far too innumerable to mention has been a prime factor in all successes we have enjoyed.

To the PTSA we leave our hopes for the future, and our thanks for the many opportunities they have afforded us when they were most needed.

To the freshmen we leave our spirit and loyalty hoping they will preserve and increase this loyalty for many more senior classes to come.

To the sophomores we leave the responsibilities and traditions of Mars Hill High hoping they will maintain and respect the things we as Seniors have tried so hard to uphold.

And, to the Juniors, we make the following bequests consisting of the honorable and sacred possessions as are named below:

I, Jim Huff leave my two-handed set shot to James Ray, hoping he will have better luck with it than I did.

I, Bobby Willis, leave my humorous style of presenting Economics reports as if I didn't believe a word I was saying to Eddie Wheeler.

We, Larry Yelton and Arden Wibel leave our ability to go through town at 55 m.p.h. and get away with it to Danny Wyatt and Bruce Boone.

We, Garold Metcalf and Gary Jamerson leave our struggles with Macbeth and his cronies to Owen Slagle and Gary Shook in case they haven't encountered them yet.

I, Ray Ponder leave my old pair of walking shoes to Johnny Hensley.

We, Pat Ramsey, Kathy DeBruhl and Mary Phillips leave our love for push-ups to Gloria Tweed and Kathy Grindstaff.

I, Nancy Thomas leave my cornsilk blonde hair to Jane Roberts.

We, Jewel Hollan, Rosemary Tinsley, and Juanita Willis leave our old experiences, especially in Marshal, to any juniors with a knack for involvement.

We, Vinita Wilson and Edith Whitt leave our good-nature and ability to laugh at jokes we've heard twice to Kay Jarvis and Jeanette Hoyle.

We, Dianne Honeycutt, Pamela Mace, and Barbara Franklin leave our old book reports to Joyce Hensley and Marilyn Fender. Please send your checks by return mail.

I, Kathy Robinson leave my unquenchable school spirit and reputation for being ticklish to Rebecca Sams.

I, Paula Ammons leave my ability to get along with policemen in unusual circumstances to Ona Riddle.

I, Molly Beaver leave a bottle of Clairol to Brenda Cody.

We, Joyce Cody and Marie Honeycutt leave our ability to get Mr. Wallin off the subject to Rea Dunivan, Verna Wilde, and Dean Jenkins.

We, Rita Mace and Dorlas Chandler leave our front row seats in English to Louise Cody and Emma Angel.

I, Sarah Faye Sprinkle leave my uncontrollable temper with "fly-by day" referees and two handed set shot to Janet Buckner.

I, Dale Hylemon leave my class ring to Cheryl Anders or Janice Anderson or any other deserving junior girl who wants it.

We, David Rice and Tony Sluder leave our old insurance policies to Fred Ray and Tommy Boone, in case they want to make some easy money selling unwary freshmen protection.

I, Larry Fox, leave two love sick horses to Patricia English.

I, L. J. Hamlin leave one ticket to the Marshall Spring Festival to Kathy Honeycutt.

We, Jerry Honeycutt and Faith Fox leave our policy of going steady to all steadies in the Junior Class.

I, Shirley Gosnell leave my Cadillac School Bus and charge account at Center Store to Judy Bradley.

I, Patti Coates leave my good times at the Community Center dances (before and after) to Diane Lee.

I, Wilma Gosnell leave my cold nature and ability to flirt to Betty Grigg.

I, Susie Murray leave my position as rover on the basketball court and activity bus to Lora Hunter.

I, Norma Fender leave my ability to do a 12 character one-act play "all by myself" to Vicki Sue Edwards.

We, Rosa Lee Carver, Mary Joyce Marler, and Vivian Ponder leave our fun-loving ways (especially in places like the library) to Paula Grimes.

I, Elaine Roberts leave my ability to make my own clothes with a minimum amount of material to Peggy Capps.

We, Carolyn Robinson and Sue Worley leave our pleasantness and timely wit to Peggy Roberts and Nancy Robinson.

We, Janice Robinson and Carolyn Shook leave our daredevil exploits (especially in the library and during break) to Pat Anderson and Frankie Blankenship.

We, Peggy Wilson and Lois Tweed leave our humor to Joy Jenkins and Joyce Metcalf in hopes they will keep it alive at Mars Hill High next year.

We, Robert Bailey, Roger Bradley, Robert Shelton, and Ernie Waldrup leave one 70 lb. sack of Signal Mountain Mortar Mix to Chubby Chandler and Ronnie Thomas.

We, Victor Bechtol and Larry Peek leave two push brooms and a nervous, wrecked custodian to Randall Buckner and Alvin Blankenship.

I, Cline Gosnell leave my two dollar bill to Kelsey Ferguson to pay his Pep Club dues with.

I, Bobby DeBruhl leave my toy electric train and Hank Williams' albums to Debbie Ferguson.

I, Steve Huff, leave to Ben Jolley my talents in the field of mathematics, which enables me to handle square roots, integers, fig newtons, and morons with equal ease.

We, Shirley McIntosh and Judy Capps leave our fondness for French to Joyce Gosnell.

I, Sherry Briggs leave my ability to say "you-all" with five sylables to Martha West and Maggie Diercks.

I, Carolyn Briggs leave my musical ability and an autographed copy of my latest song, "Old Teachers Never Die; They Just Grade Away", to Linda Buckner.

I, J. C. Duck leave my Driver's Ed. manuel and number "sixty-two" to Jack Radford.

I, David Capps leave one small jar of Planter's Peanuts to Leonard Ball.

We, A. J. Edwards and Mike Edwards leave copies of our Senior English Tests to Harry Lee Dillingham and Jimmy Hall, hoping they can do something with them.

I, Richard Rice leave 2 Hedman Hedders and a road map to Bakersville to Vance Ingle.

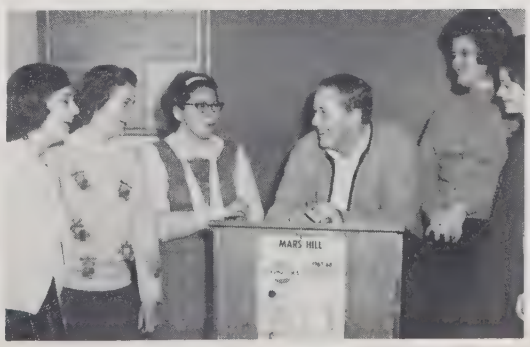
We, Sammy Peek, Roy Norton, and Jay Edwards leave our ability to get along with Howard Paine to Darol Arrington and Michael McCoy.

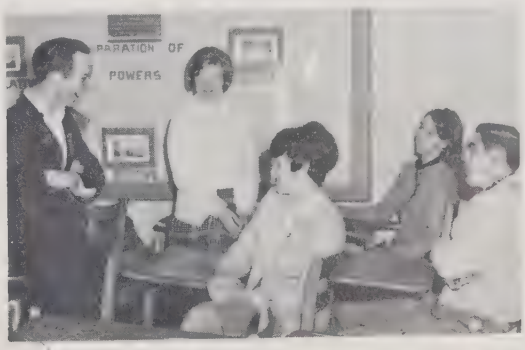
We, Dan Shook, Earl Robinson, and Jerry Shelton leave our ability to sleep, especially in class, to Farrel Brady, David Briscoe, Paul Shelton, and Stewart Ledford.

I, Harlan Wilson leave to Donnie Griffin and Lanny Robinson my ability to play defensive end even though I haven't entered the game yet.

I, David Wilson leave my charm to Ricky White and Troy Grooms.

And I, Buddy Cox, after composing the above last will and testament, leave, never again to walk the halls of Mars Hill High or sit in its classrooms, but I take with me the unforgettable memories of the last 12 years and what I will surely call, in future days, the best years of my life. I also leave my condolences to the unfortunate Junior who is cursed with writing next year's last will and testament.





MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT
Kathy Robinson and Jerry Honeycutt

BEST ALL AROUND GIRL
Jewel Hollan

MOST POPULAR
Patti Coates and Bobby Debruhl

MOST ATHLETIC
Nancy Thomas and L. J. Hamlin

BEST ALL AROUND BOY
Tony Sluder

MOST STUDIOUS
Edith Whitt and Phil Elam

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Shirley McIntosh and Steve Huff

BEST PERSONALITY
Molly Beaver and Bobby Willis

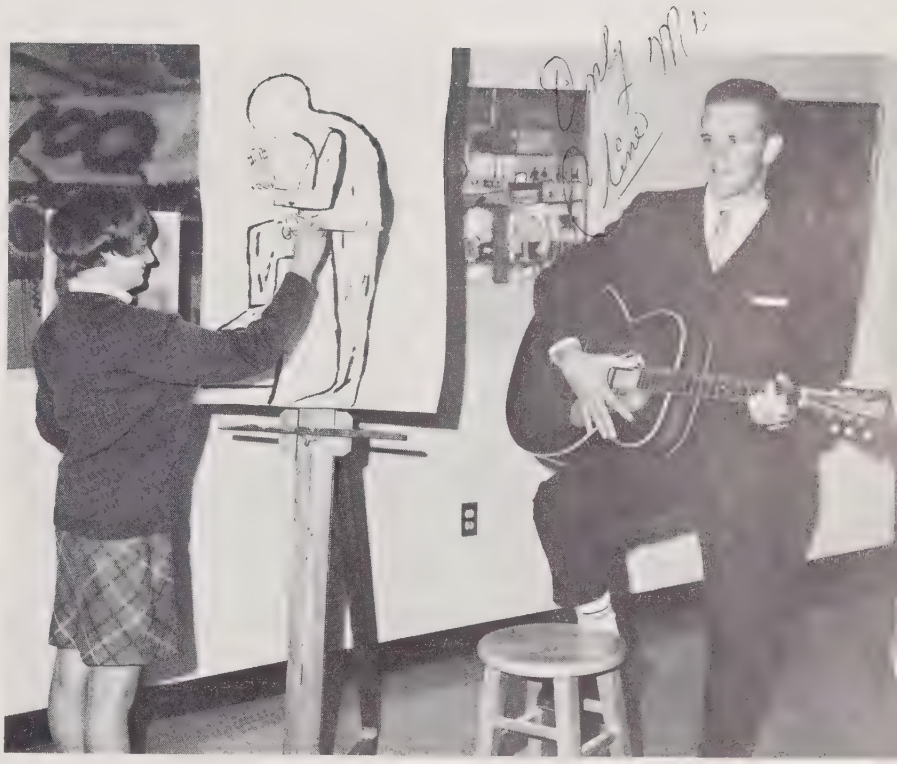
MOST COURTEOUS
Peggy Wilson and David Wilson

BEST LOOKING
Sherry Briggs and Richie Rice

FRIENDLIEST
Paula Ammons and Jim Huff

BEST DRESSED
Carolyn Robinson and A. J. Edwards

WITTIEST
Marie Honeycutt and Buddy Cox



MOST TALENTED
Sue Worley and Cline Gosnell

CUTEST
Janet Slagle and Garold Metcalf

MOST ACTIVE IN CLUBS
Carolyn Briggs and Jerry Shelton

SENIOR DIRECTORY

AMMONS, PAULA
F.H.A. 1; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Superlative 4; Pep Club 3; F.T.A. 3,4.

BEAVER, MOLLY-
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Superlative 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3.

BRADLEY, ROGER
F.F.A. 1,2,3; V.I.C.A. 1,2.

BRIGGS, CAROLYN
Math Club 3; French Club 4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Student Council 2,4; Officer 4; Pep Club 3,4; Officer 4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play 4; Graduation Choir 3; Dramatics Club 2,3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3.

BRIGGS, SHERRY
Class Officer 1; F.H.A. 1,3; Officer 1; F.T.A. 3,4; Math Club 2,3,4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Cheerleader 3,4; Homecoming Court 3,4; Basketball 1; P.T.S.A. 3,4.

CAPPS, DAVID
F.F.A. 1,2,4; Dramatics Club 4; Senior Play 4.

CAPPS, JUDY
F.H.A. 1,3; F.T.A. 3,4; Officer 4; P.T.S.A. 4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Math Club 3; Student Council 3,4; Pep Club 3; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; French Club 4; Jr. Choir 3.

CARVER, ROSA LEE
F.H.A. 1,3; Dramatics Club 3.

CHANDLER, DORLAS
F.H.A. 1; Dramatics Club 3.

COATES, PATTI
Math Club 3,4; Officer 3; French Club 4; Officer 4; Student Council 3,4; Officer 4; F.T.A. 3,4; Officer 3,4; F.H.A. 1; Officer 1; Pep Club 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Officer 4; Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Sr. Play 4; Graduation Choir 3; Class Officer 2,3; Miss Junior Class 3; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Square Dance Team 3,4.

CODY, JOYCE
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; F.T.A. 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4 Officer 1; Pep Club 3,4; N.Y.C. 4; Dramatics Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Annual Staff 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Sr. Play 4; Graduation Choir 3.

COX, BUDDY
P.T.S.A. 3,4; Officer 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Student Council 2,3; Officer 3; Beta Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Bus Driver 3,4; Sr. Play 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Superlative 4; Monogram Club 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Basketball Manager 2,3,4; Class Officer 4.

DEBRUHL, BOBBY
F.F.A. 1,2,4; Dramatics Club 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Captain 3; Bus Driver 4; Superlative 4; Student Council 4; Class Officer 3,4; Graduation Choir 3; Jr. Choir 3; Baseball Manager 2; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Bachelor of Ugliness 4.

DEBRUHL, KATHY
F.H.A. 1,3; Dramatics Club 4.

DUCK, J. C.
F.F.A. 1,2,3; Tool Judging 1; Pep Club 3; P.T.S.A. 3,4;

EDWARDS, A. J.
F.F.A. 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Pep Club 3; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Superlative 4; Bus Driver 3,4; Senior Play 4.

EDWARDS, JAY
F.F.A. 1,2,3; Football 1,2,4; Dramatics Club 4; Bus Driver 4; Senior Play 4.

EDWARDS, MIKE
F.F.A. 1,2,4; Officer 1,4; Pep Club 3;P.T.S.A. 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Football 2; Senior Play 4.

FENDER, NORMA
F.H.A. 1,3; Dramatics Club 4.

FOX, FAITH
F.H.A. 1; F.T.A. 3,4; Basketball 1, Manager 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Monogram Club 4; Senior Play 4.

FOX, LARRY
Track 3,4; Football 1,3; 4-H Club 1,2; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

FRANKLIN, BARBARA
F.H.A. 1,2.

FRANKLIN, JANICE
F.H.A. 1; P.T.S.A. 3; Dramatics Club 4; Jr. Choir 3; Pep Club 3; Graduation Choir 3.

GOSNELL, CLINE
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Football 1,2,3; Baseball 3; Superlative 4; Monogram Club 1,2,3; Pep Club 2,3,4; Square Dance Team 2,3,4; Jr. Choir 3; Graduation Choir 3; Sr. Play 4.

GOSNELL, SHIRLEY
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Officer 2,3; Beta Club 2,3,4; F.T.A. 4; Dramatics Club 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Sr. Play 4; 4-H Club 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4; Bus Driver 3,4.

GOSNELL, WILMA
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.T.A. 3,4; Beta Club 3,4; Pep Club 3; P.T.S.A. 3; Dramatics Club 4; Senior Play 4.

HAMLIN, L. J.
F.F.A. 1; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Captain 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Track 2; Superlative 4; Class Officer 1; Dramatics Club 4.

HOLLAN, JEWEL
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; F.H.A. 1; Class Officer 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Student Council 4; Officer 4; Math Club 3; F.T.A. 3,4; Officer 4; Superlative 4; Marshal 3; Track 2,3,4.

HONEYCUTT, DIANNE
F.H.A. 1,2; Dramatics Club 3.

HONEYCUTT, JERRY
F.F.A. 1; F.T.A. 3; Dramatics Club 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Football 2,3,4; Class Officer 1; Superlative 4; Senior Play 4.

HONEYCUTT, MARIE
F.H.A. 1; Dramatics Club 4; P.T.S.A. 3; Pep Club 3; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play 4; Graduation Choir 3; Superlative 4.

HUFF, JIM
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Football 2,3,4; Math Club 3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Superlative 4; Jr.-Sr. Choir 3; Graduation Choir 3.

HUFF, STEVE
Beta Club 2,3,4; Math Club 3,4; Officer 4; Monogram Club 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Football 3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Track 3,4; P.T.S.A. 2,3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Graduation Choir 3; Chief Marshal 3; Superlative 4; Student Council 2,3; Officer 3; Annual Staff 4; Square Dance 3,4; Senior Play 4.

HYLEMON, DALE
F.F.A. 1,2,3; Pep Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; Bus Driver 4; Senior Play 4.

JAMERSON, GARY

MACE, PAMELA
F.H.A. 1,2.

MACE, RITA
F.H.A. 1,2,4; Beta Club 3,4; F.T.A. 4; Dramatics Club

4; Sr. Play 4; N.Y.C. 4; P.T.S.A. 4; 4-H Club 1.

MARLER, MARY JOYCE
F.H.A. 1,2,3.

McINTOSH, SHIRLEY
F.H.A. 1,2; Student Council 1,2,3; Officer 1,2,3; Pep Club 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Officer 3; F.T.A. 3,4; Officer 3; Beta Club 2,3,4; Math Club 2,3,4; French Club 4; Marshal 3; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play 4; Dramatics Club 3; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Jr.-Sr. Choir 3; Superlative 4; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4.

METCALF, GAROLD
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3; Football 2; Monogram Club 3,4; Baseball 3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Bus Driver 4; Superlative 4; 4-H Club 1,2; Tobacco Judging 2,3; Tool Identification 1; Dairy Judging 2,3,4; Senior Play 4.

MURRAY, SUSIE
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Captain 2; Track 3,4; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Homecoming Queen 3; Beta Club 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1; F.T.A. 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Officer 3; Jr.-Sr. Banquet 3; French Club 4; Officer 4; Square Dance 3; Senior Play 4.

NORTON, ROY
F.F.A. 1; Land Judging 1; Beef Judging 1; V.I.C.A. 1; Bus Driver 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3; 4-H 1,2.

PEEK, LARRY
F.F.A. 1,2,4; Land Judging 1,2,4; Beef Judging 1,2,4; Pep Club 4; V.I.C.A. 3; P.T.S.A. 2,3; Dramatics Club 4; 4-H 1,2.

PEEK, SAMMY
Football 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3; F.F.A. 1,2,3; Pep Club 4; Baseball 1,2,3; Bus Driver 1,2,3,4.

PHILLIPS, MARY
F.H.A. 1,2,3.

PONDER, RAY
F.F.A. 1; V.I.C.A. 3,4; Officer 3; Football 1.

PONDER, VIVIAN
F.H.A. 1,2.

RAMSEY, PATRICIA
F.H.A. 1,3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; F.T.A. 3,4; Track 3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Basketball 4.

RICE, DAVID
F.F.A. 1,2,3; P.T.S.A. 3; Dramatics 3; Pep Club 2; Football 3,4; Monogram Club 4.

RICE, RICHARD
F.F.A. 1; Pep Club 3; P.T.S.A. 2,3; Baseball 3,4; Superlative 4; Monogram Club 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Class Officer 1,2; Jr.-Sr. Banquet 3.

ROBERTS, ELAINE
Beta Club 2,3,4; Math Club 3; F.H.A. 1,2; Officer 1,2; F.T.A. 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Cheerleader 2; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Junior Chorus 3; Senior Play 4; Basketball Manager 2,3,4.

ROBINSON, CAROLYN
F.H.A 1; F.T.A. 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Pep Club 3; Senior Play 4; Bus Monitor 3; Junior Chorus 3; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Superlative 4; French Club 4.

ROBINSON, EARL
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Beef Judging 3; Dramatics 3.

ROBINSON, KATHY
F.H.A. 1; Beta Club 3,4; F.T.A. 3,4; Officer 3,4; Math Club 3,4; Officer 4; French Club 4; Officer 4; Pep Club 3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Class Officer 2,3; Miss Sophomore Class; Marshal 3; Superlative 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; P.T.S.A. 3; Officer 3; Student Council 1,3; Officer 3; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Captain 4; Senior Play 4.

SHELTON, JERRY
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; P.T.S.A. 3; Football 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; Superlative 4; Track 3,4; Dramatics Club 3; Dairy Judging 1,2,3,4.

SHELTON, ROBERT
V.I.C.A. 2,3,4; F.F.A. 1.

SHOOK, CAROLYN
F.H.A. 1,4; F.T.A. 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Junior Chorus 3; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Pep Club 3; Senior Play 4.

SHOOK, DAN
F.F.A. 1,2,3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3.

SLAGLE, JANET
4-H Club 1,2; FHA 1; FTA 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Officer 4; Dramatics Club 4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Monogram Club 4; Annual Staff; P.T.S.A. 3; Superlative 4; Wildcat Mascot 4; Graduation Choir 3; Senior Play 4.

SLUDER, TONY
Basketball 1,2,3; Football 2,3; Baseball 2,3; Student Council 1,2,3,4; Officer 4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Math Club 2,3; F.F.A. 1,2; Pep Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Superlative 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Officer 2,3,4; Dairy Judging 1,2; Tool Judging 1; Track 4; Mr. Mars Hill 4; Senior Play 4.

SPRINKLE, SARAH FAYE
4-H Club 1; F.H.A. 1,2; F.T.A. 3,4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Pep Club 4; P.T.S.A. 3; Basketball 1,3,4; Track 3,4; Senior Play 4.

THOMAS, NANCY
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Captain 3,4; F.H.A. 1; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Beta Club 2,3,4; Officer 4; Math Club 3,4; Officer 4; Pep Club 3,4; French Club 3,4; Officer 4; Superlative 4; Miss Senior Class; Marshal 3; Track 2,3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; Square Dance Team 2,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4.

TINSLEY, ROSEMARY
F.H.A. 1; Pep Club 3,4; Officer 3; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Basketball 3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Jr.-Sr. Banquet Committee 3; 4-H Club 1.

TWEED, LOIS
F.H.A. 1,2,3.

WALDROP, ERNIE
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; V.I.C.A. 1,2,3,4; Senior Play 4.

WHITT, EDITH
F.H.A. 1; Beta Club 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3; F.T.A. 3,4; Math Club 3; Marshal 3; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Graduation Choir 3; Senior Play 4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Junior Choir 3.

WIBEL, ARDEN
F.F.A. 2; V.I.C.A. 2; Dramatics Club 4.

WILLIS, BOBBY
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Officer 4; Pep Club 3; Football 3; Bus Driver 3,4; P.T.S.A. 3,4; Dairy Judging 3,4; Tool Judging 1,2; Senior Play 4; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Land Judging 4; 4-H Club 2,3.

WILLIS, JUANITA
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 1,2,3; Track 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; P.T.S.A. 3; Senior Play 3; Senior Play 4.

WILSON, DAVID
Dramatics Club 3,4; Mongram 3,4; Track 3,4; Senior Play 4; Superlative 4.

WILSON, HARLAN
Monogram Club 3,4; Football 3,4; Track 3,4; Senior Play 4.

WILSON, PEGGY
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Superlative 4.

WORLEY, SUE
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Officer 2; Dramatics Club 3; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play Artist 3,4; Superlative 4.

YELTON, LARRY
Track 1; Dramatics Club 1; Monogram Club 1; Senior Play 4.

SENIOR MESSAGE

As life lingers on,
Another step we must take.
Just a few more short steps
That we'll have to take.
Here we are at the top —
And now, we can only guess
What all those efforts
Have in store for us.

The end of our path
We thought we had found;
It was just a turning point —
And now the trail leads down.
As downward we advance,
We think of the past;
In our memory we can see
The road we travelled last.

Onward we travel
And soon we find:
Each step we take
Is harder than those behind.
For those who travel after us,
Many experiences you must witness.
Make the best of them —

THEY ARE YOUR STEPS OF HAPPINESS!

Tony Sluder

MR. MARVIN CARRIKER

MR. J. D. WALLIN

MRS. HAZEL SUTTLES

President .....Lanny Robinson
Vice-President .....Danny Wyatt
Secretary .....Pat English
Treasurer .....Lora Hunter
Reporter .....Tommy Boone

Must I tell you again?

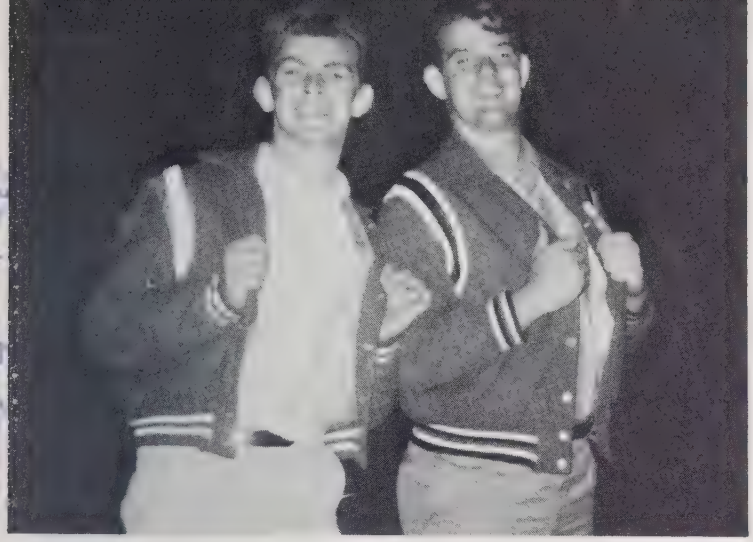
Cheryl Anders
Patricia Anderson
Frankie Blankenship
David Briscoe

Janice Anderson
Emma Lou Angel
Bruce Boone
Janet Buckner

Darrol Arrington
Tommy Boone
Linda Buckner

Leonard Ball
Judy Bradley
Randall Buckner

Alvin Blankenship
Farrell Brady
Peggy Capps



Wildcats Gr-r-r-eat!

He-e-y, Wildcats, fight! fight!

Chubby Chandle
Rea Dunivan
Kelcy Ferguson
Joyce Gosnell

Brenda Cody
Vickie Sue Edwards
Donnie Griffin
Jimmy Hall

Louise Cody
Pat English
Betty Grigg
Johnny Hensley

Maggie Diercks
Marilyn Fender
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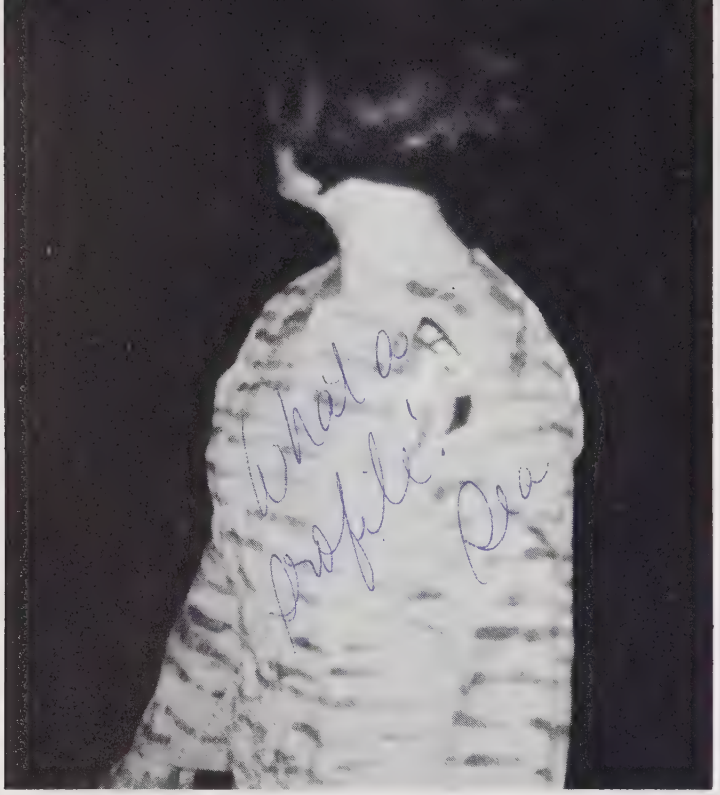
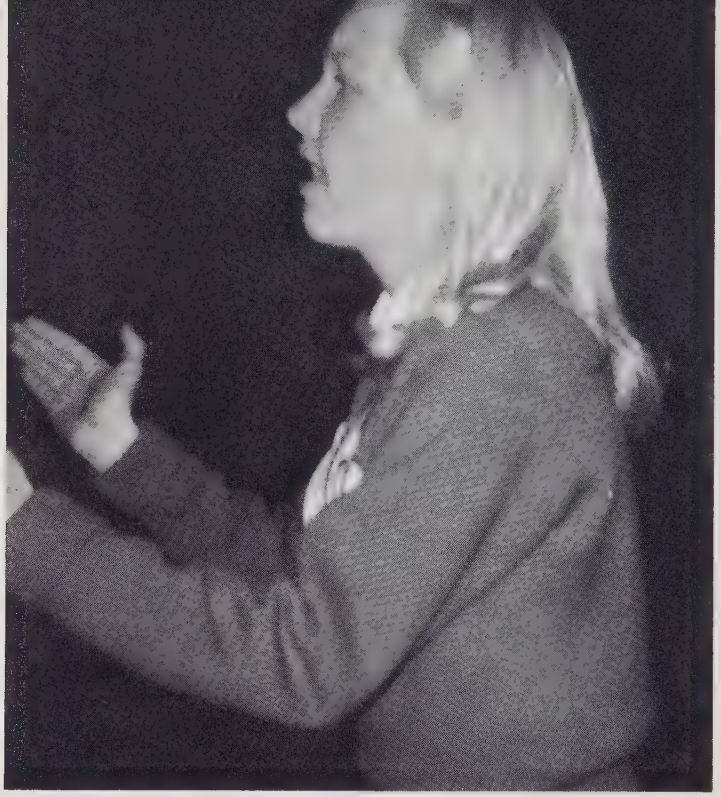
Kathy Grindstaff
Kathy Honeycutt



You can do it, big team!



Go! Go! Go!Go!

Jeannette Hoyle
Eric Jenkins
Stewart Ledford

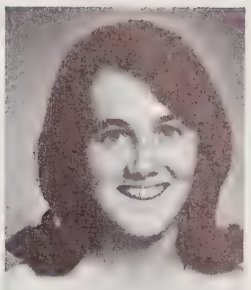
Lora Hunter
Jimmy Jenkins
Michael McCoy

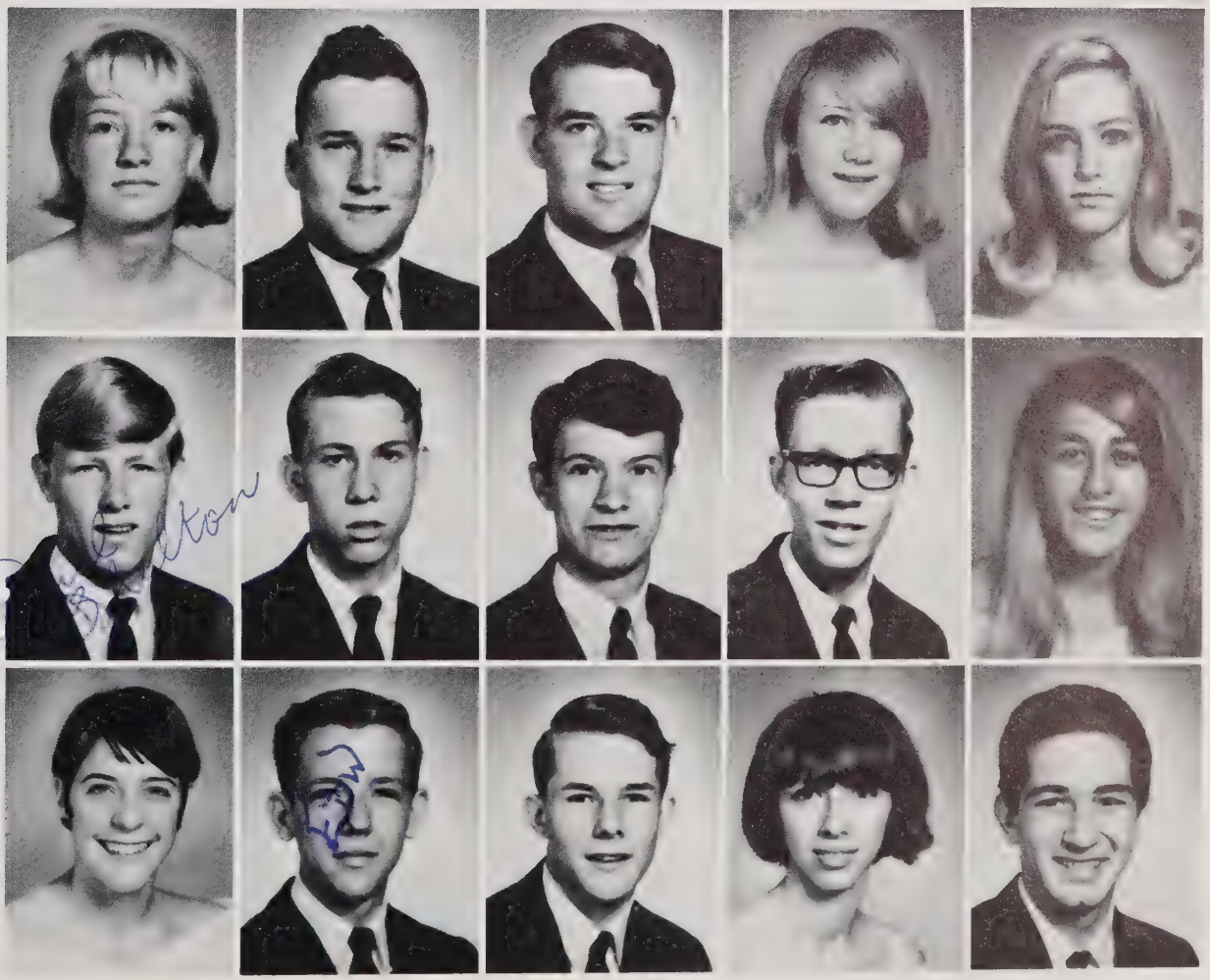
Vance Ingle
Joy Jenkins
Joyce Metcalf

Kay Jarvis
Ben Jolly
Jack Radford

Dean Jenkins
Dianne Lee
James Ray

Look? Life? Sports Illustrated? Playboy?





Jane Roberts
Paul Shelton
Martha West

Jerry Robinson
Garry Shook
Eddie Wheeler

Lanny Robinson
Steven Suitt
Rickie White

Nancy Robinson
Ronnie Thomas
Verna Wilde

Ona Riddle
Rebecca Sams
Gloria Tweed
Danny Wyatt

MRS. PATRICIA BELL

MISS JANET HALL

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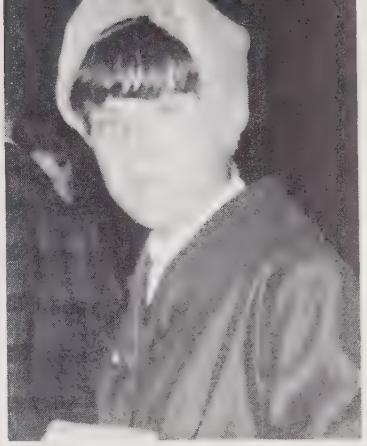
Brains galore!



Who? Me?

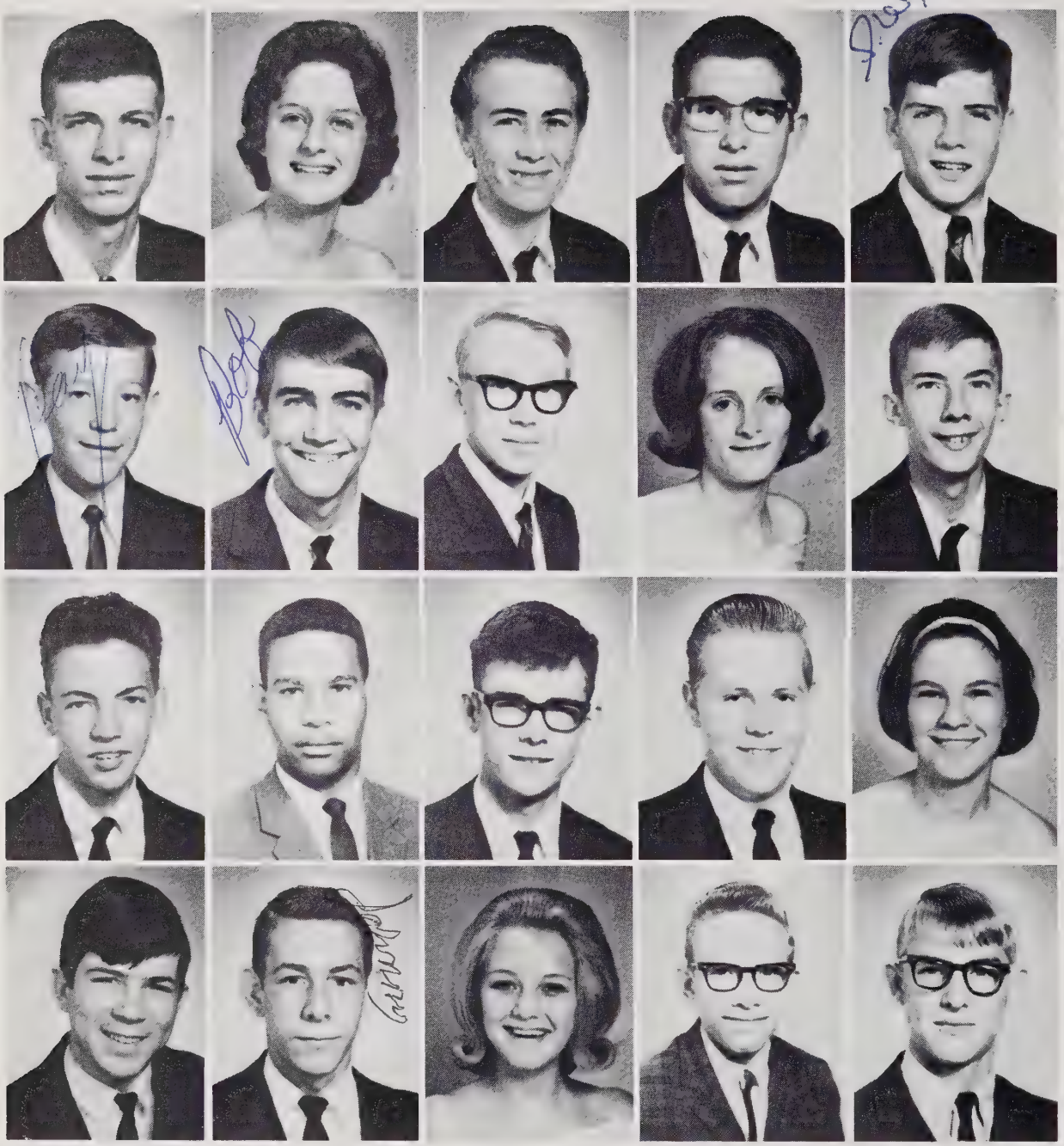
Beecher Allen
Richard Bailey
Allen Buckner
Linda Carver

June Anders
Diane Boone
Ruth Buckner
Susan Chapman

Carolyn Angel
Peggy Boone
Jimmy Capps
Betsy Clayton

Terry Arrington
Gregg Briggs
Phyllis Capps
Diane Coates

Joe Arrowood
Jack Brown
Fred Carver
J. C. Coates



Howell Cody
Ray Dunivan
Orville English
Ray George

Janet Cody
Bob Eatmon
Phillip Erwin
Johnny Griffin

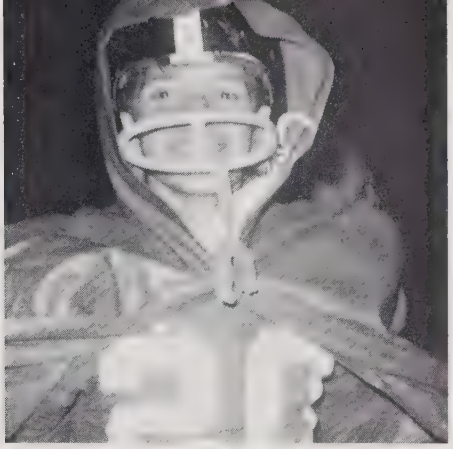
Gary Davis
Larry Edmonds
Edwin Fisher
Debbie Grimes

Larry Debruhl
Marylee Edmunds
Larry Fox
Garrett Hensley

Sigsbee Duck
Larry English
Nora Franklin
Bob Holcombe

There's more than one way to attain the heights!

Push 'em back!



Me, Coach?

Oh, please!

Roger Honeycutt
Hazel Jenkins
Larry Marler
Faye Norton

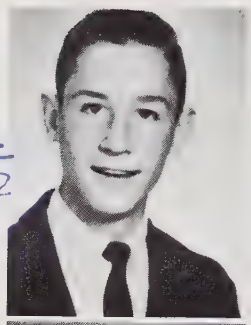
Susanne Huff
Brenda Lloyd
Boyd Metcalf
Nellie Norton

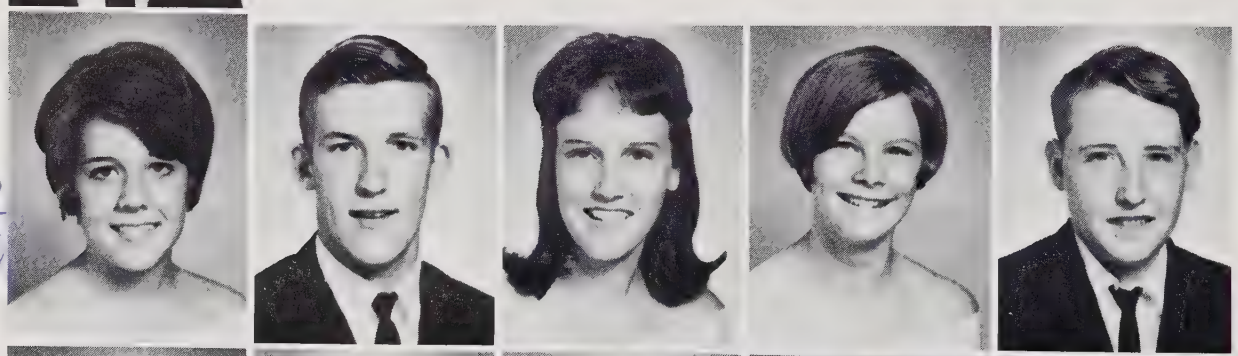
Linda Ingle
Betty McDowell
Jerry Metcalf
Pat Peek

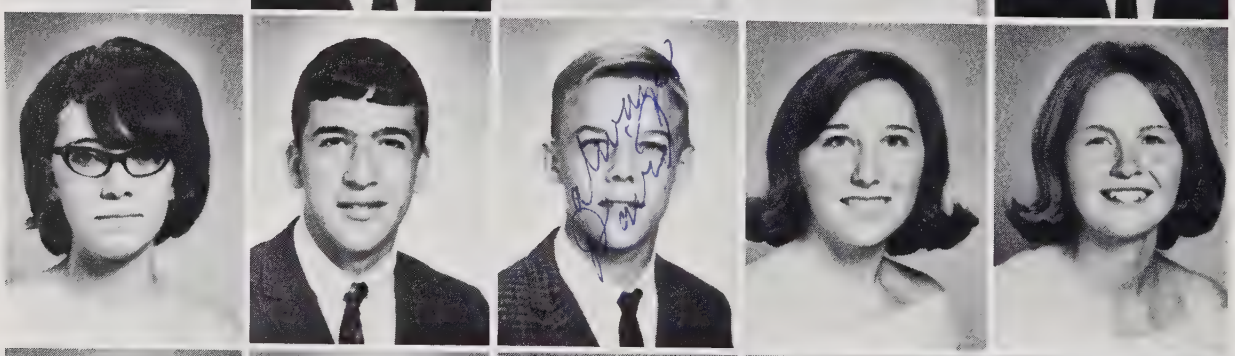
Everett Jamerson
Ann McKinney
Monte Metcalf
James Proffitt

Cleta Jenkins
David McKinney
Dean Norton
Larry Proffitt

Pedestrians beware!







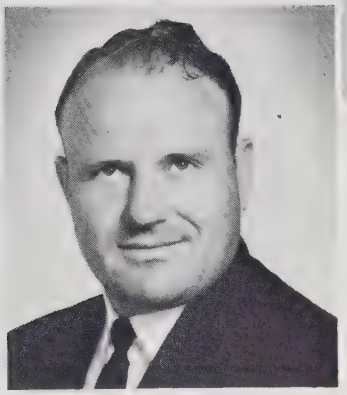
Danny Ray
Elaine Ray
Susie Shook
Mary Sue Willis

Phillip Robinson
Danny Slagle
Michael Wilson

Joyce Shelton
David Thomas
Mary Wood

Sarah Shelton
Nancy White
Linda Yelton

Rickie Shepherd
Joy Whitt
Bill Zink



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MR. PAT SAMS

MRS. NINA MOFFITT

President .....Tommy Hamlin
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Treasurer .....Elissa Hailey

Preparation for the big dance

Anxiously awaiting the coronation

Dale Adams
Judy Ballard
Leuretha Buckner

Patti Ammons
Judy Boone
Teresa Buckner

Sandra Anderson
Billy Bradley
Jackie Burnette

Regina Angel
Dillard Bradley
Brenda Capps

Bernice Baird
Karla Bragg
Earl Carver

Aaron Ball
Herbert Buckner
Odis Carver

Jump, Teresa!

Ken Castelloe
Sandra Davis
Brenda Franklin

Marilyn Chandler
Joey DeBruhl
Phyllis Franklin

Regina Chandler
Gail Edmonds
David Griffin

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Jim Eller
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Arvil Cody
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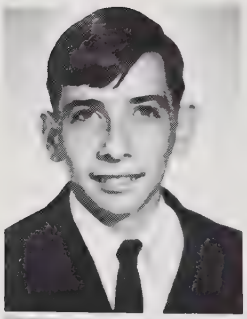
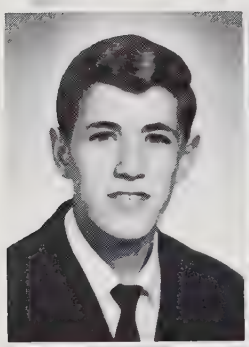
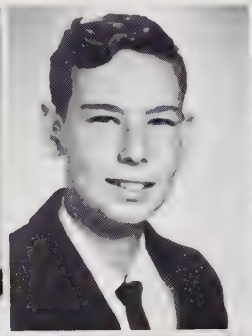
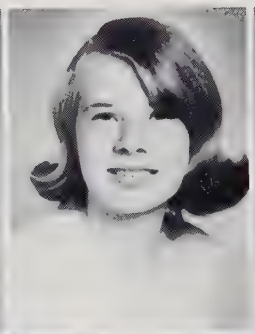
Allen Fender
Maxine Hensley

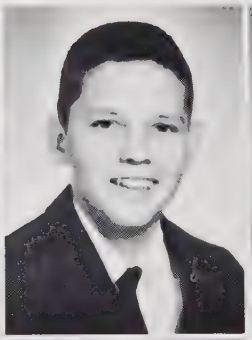


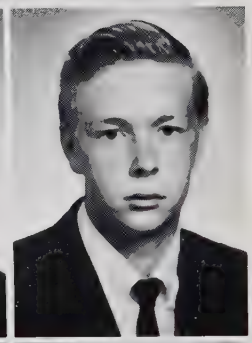
Those who are interested do try.

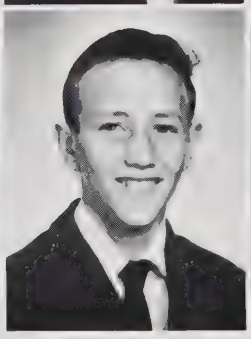


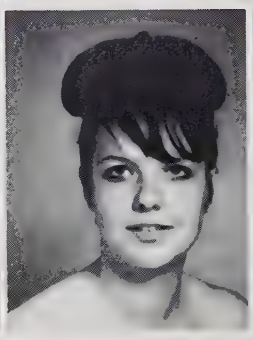


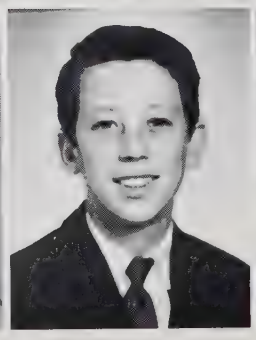


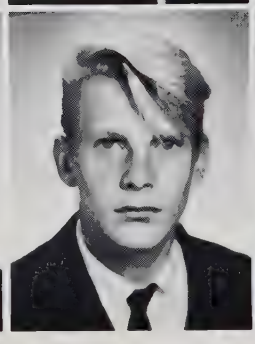


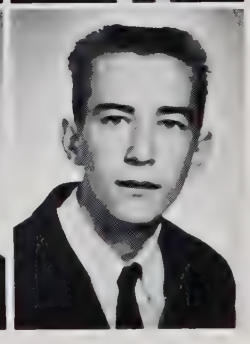












A. C. Honeycutt
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Jane McIntosh
Mary Kate Norton

Janet Lee
Gerald McKinney
Mason Norton

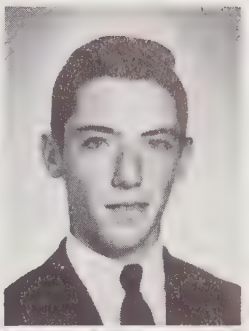
Bill Lovins
Pansy McMahan
Wanda Norton

Linda Lunsford
Judy Metcalf
Doyle Peek

Ruby Marler
Bruce Murray
Roger Ray

Connie McClellan
Roger Murray
Ronnie Ray

Duhh, you're so sweet!



Jerry Roberts
Jane Shelton
Jeanne Thompson

Gloria Robinson
Irene Shelton
Deborah Tomberlin

Sam Robinson
Betty Shook
Vickie Wallin

Becky Rymer
James Shook
Karen Whitt

Paula Sams
Jimmy Sprinkle
Joyce Willis

Billy Rice
Ann Shelton
Susie Thomas
Margaret Wyatt

The spirit of Mars Hill High is made up of many components all equally essential to the feeling of unity and togetherness this spirit expresses. The spirit of Mars Hill would be meaningless without valuable contributions from each of the four classes.

Motivated Seniors:

So many things to do, so many things to look forward to . . . motivation is the determining force that changes being to living and thoughts to deeds whether working enthusiastically in preparation for Homecoming, making the big dance the best ever, enjoying the Washington-New York trip, or cramming for those final exams. All are preludes to the grand finale of life until this time . . . graduation. As seniors, we will always cherish the memories of years at Mars Hill High, and though many will not admit it, we will feel a little sad when the time comes to leave. There are many joys and dividends obtained from seniors, and all are made possible by motivation and determination.

Hard-working Juniors:

The present moments are always filled with treasures, if we only have the patience and determination to work hard and seek them. Our junior class is exemplary of the American ideal. Very little is achieved without hard work whether on the football field, basketball court, working long hours in preparation for extra-curricular activities, or putting the finishing touch on the "special" Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom. The Class of 1969 is one whose hard work and attentiveness to duty has inspired us all.

High-spirited Sophomores:

High spirit and enthusiasm make hard work easy and enjoyable. Perhaps there is no better tonic for depression than to view the imagination and the enthusiasm of our high-spirited sophomores. They are ready to grasp every opportunity offered them. Every constructive idea begins with imagination, and we commend the Class of 1970 for conceiving ideas useful to all of us.

Studious Freshmen:

There is no denying the transition from elementary to high school, but this year's freshman class has met this challenge and met it well. With attention to studying the academic curriculum, these students are preparing themselves to meet challenges of the future years. We know they will be ready to assume roles of leadership, as they climb the ladder to seniority, enjoy fun, tears, and laughter that each level brings. The MHHS . . . letters that bring pride and nostalgia to all who are, or have ever been, associated with Mars Hill High School. If any of these letters were omitted, a vital portion of its meaning would be deleted. Thus it is with the classes of MHHS; all are essential to the pride and spirit within our school. It takes motivation, hard work, high spirits, and studiousness combined with imagination, determination, and enthusiasm to achieve the well-rounded philosophy of education for which Mars Hill High stands. May it always be so!

8th GRADE

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: David Wyatt, Roger Green, Larry Jarvis, Anthony Fox, Billy Powell. SECOND ROW: Barbara English, Revonda Bragg, Melanie Chapman, Glenna Burnette, Louise Shelton, Mary Davis, Charles McGee, Darhyl Boone, Bobby Edwards, Dean Ball, Ivan Randolph, Randy Proffitt, Marshall Ledford, Johnnie Bailey, Naomi Sprinkle, Sheila Porsche, Mary Diercks, Jerry Whitt, Randy Zink, Larry Thomas, Linda Fisher, Teresa Boone. THIRD ROW: Al Snipes, Margaret Dycus, Valeria Jenkins, Gail Bailey, Faye Payne, Debra Hensley, Janice Bailey, Frances Pack, Orenda Grindstaff, Peggy Mace, Betsy Robinson, Vickie Narron, Wanda Sherlin, Denise Ervin, Jessie Peterson, Ellen Griffen, Elaine McKinney, Myron Cody, Larry English, Sandy Cody, Landon Bechtol, Bobby Bradley, Bruce Shook, Alton Cartrett, Lee Thomas, Jayne Buckner, Wanda Jarvis, Rebecca Childs. FOURTH ROW: Mr. Higgins, Mrs. Thomas, Michael Wilson, Charles Hensley, Junior Dobbs, Reggie Ramsey, Dennis Thomas, Morrie Slagle, John Roberts, David Tweed, Allen Bradley, James Fox, Sharon Capps, Patsy Shelton, Debra Wilson, Pamela Wallin, Rickey Mace, Jane Hollifield, Linda Walkingstick.

Mrs. Thomas, here are your scissors.

Nice work, Wanda!

Tweet! Walking!

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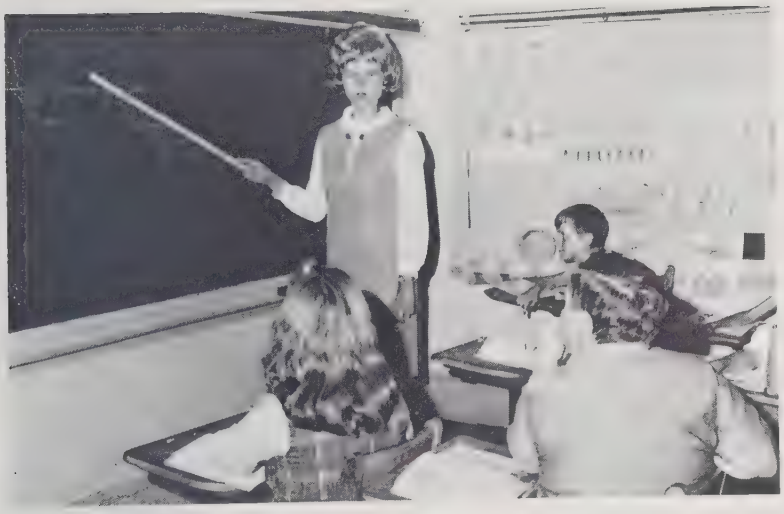
7th GRADE

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Larry Caron, Kenneth English, Mike Cox, Jerry Shelton, Leonard Rogers, Patsy Jarvis. SECOND ROW: Kathy Stines, Diane Clark, Isebella Lovins, Neva Childs, Jean Miller, Rickey Whorley, Vincent Bectol, Ray Moore, Byron Chandler, Donna English, Vickie Wheeler, Janet Robinson. THIRD ROW: Allen Arrington, Keith Walker, Allen Roberts, Perry Capps, Dale Buckner, Sidney Peek, Kenneth Shelton, Jackie Sams, Steve Ponder, Hazel McMahan. FOURTH ROW: Kenneth Ramsey, Harold McKinny, Ronnie Marler, Doris Chandler, Regina Norville, Lynn Brady, Elizabeth Sherlin, Diane Carter, Kathy Chandler, Terry Boone, Lisa Huff, L. B. Chandler. FIFTH ROW: Mrs. Ray, Deborah Dobbs, Janice Norton, Iverene Briggs, Patricia Baird, Mike Reese, Deborah Edwards, Jean Wood, Linda Rice, Brenda Norton, Joan Wood, Mrs. Brown.

Jackie, I know this is the biggest tree in Yancey County!

An apple a day . . .

6th GRADE



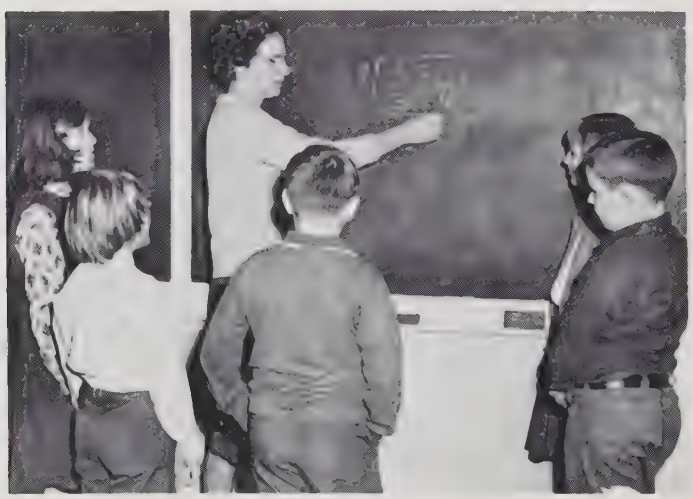
Michael, what part of speech is "books?"

Sandra, define *science* for me.

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Rebecca Mace, David Sherlin, Julie Narron, Carol Powell, James Green, Sophia Hamlin. SECOND ROW: Carolyn Shelton, Diane Shhoke, Margaret Griffin, Dorman Thomas, Debbie Yelton, Suzetta Bragg, Treva Bechtol, Dennis Carson, Gary Gray, Michael Thomas, Jimmy Clark, Robin Willis, Christine Proffitt. THIRD ROW: Sandra Murray, Kay Chandler, Valerie Propst, Shelina Boone, Lucille Thomason, Mike Buckner, Bobby Zink, Stanley Ray, Debbie Moss, Robert Briggs, Robert Hensley, Randy Davis, David Peek. FOURTH ROW: Becky Cody, Jimmy Cycus, Charles Norton, Shelley Ramsey, Douglas Phillips, Howard Adams, Doug Phillips, Jerry Marler, Brenda Gosnell, Mary Ruth Hoyle, Betty Carver, Michael Phillips, Tim Tweed, Jerry Edmonds. FIFTH ROW: Mrs. Ledford, Robert Jarvis, Jimmy Roberts, Linda Hamlin, Brenda Edwards, Yvvone Coates, Sandra Ammons, Patsy Boone, Dale Williams, Gary Mack, Miss McIntosh.

5th GRADE

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Anna Lou Silver, Debbie Bradley, Stephen Bentley, David Rogers, Ricky McDaris. SECOND ROW: Diane Hawk, Martha Eller, Carol Shook, Patricia Marler, Johnny Edwards, Stanley Ammons, Charles Coffey, Roger Worley, Monte Reese, Katy Coates, Kevin Sams, Claude Chandler, Pamela Yelton. THIRD ROW: Harlan Adams, Patricia Cox, Dana Doan, Donald Payne, Michael Boone, Debra Buckner, Kathy Ammons, Eddie Brown, Sherry Hollifield, Dianne Ledford, Robert Knox, Elymous Norton, Teresa Walker, Ellen Feldman. FOURTH ROW: Mrs. Roberts, Johnny Chandler, Jim Howard, Allan Payne, Allan Rice, Amy Snipes, Sheila Metcalf, Vickie Merrill, Debbie Hughes, Darrell Murray, Mrs. Wyatt.



Four from ten is . . .

Stephen, tell us about Andrew Jackson.

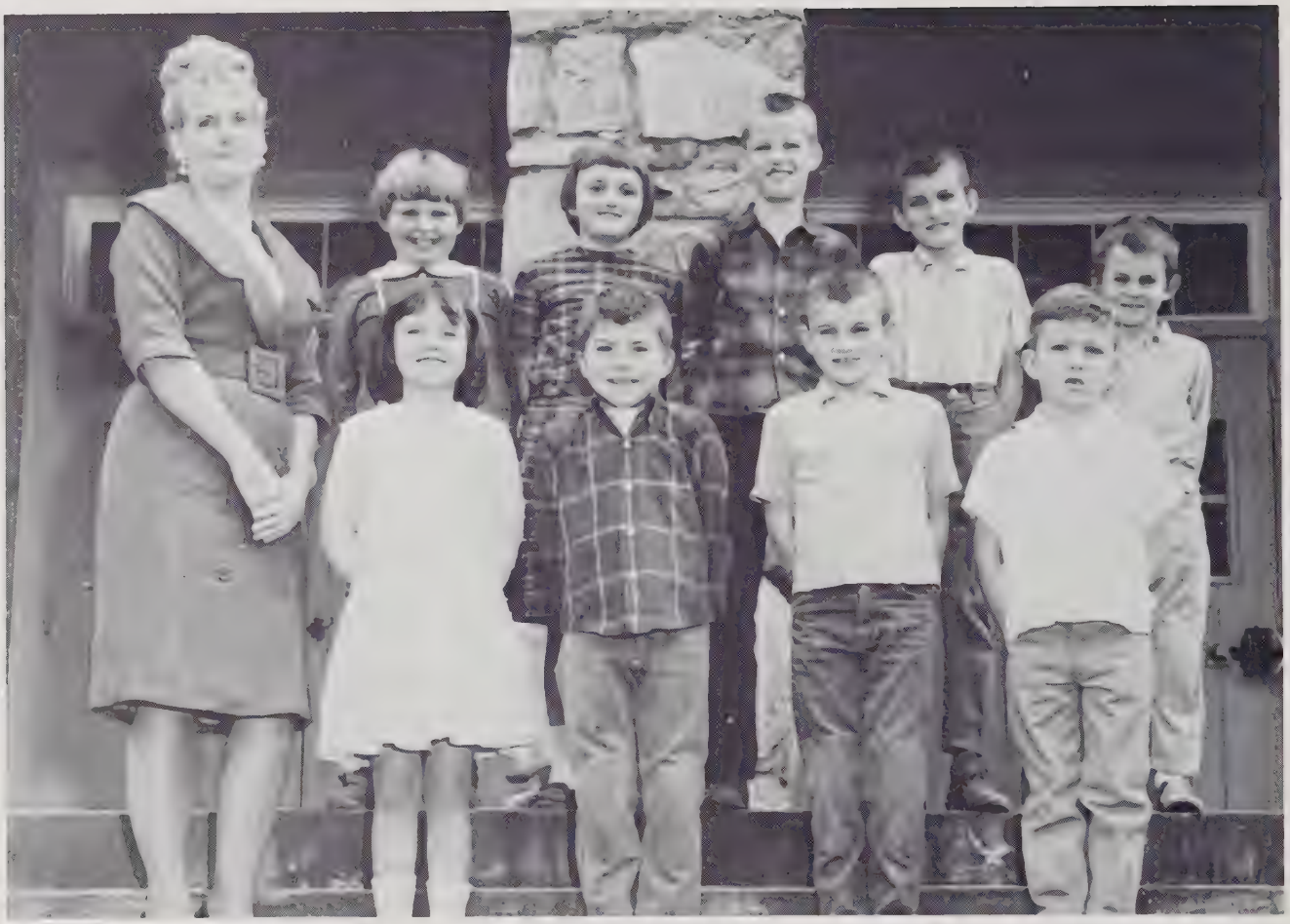
4th GRADE

Let's all sing "My Country 'tis of Thee"

"And this is our own North Carolina."

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Timmy Bragg, Alan Holcombe, William Diercks, Louis Ponder, Linda Norton, Gregory Brown, Herschel Cox, Brenda Tweed, Vivian Bechtol, Philip Dilingham, Chris Roberts, John Rice, Michael Silver, Debra Hawk. SECOND ROW: Randy Norton, Linda Clark, Lynn Merrill, Ronnie Rice, Ronnie Rice, Cynthia Jarvis, Roy Ledford, Dewayne Thomas, Ronnie Shook, Jane Carter, Roy Jarvis, Clarence Ogle, Lonnie Davis, Lawrence Ramsey, Victoria Childs. THIRD ROW: Wade Ramsey, Karen Edwards, Joe Denton, James Hickey, Philip Rice, Augusta Ann Jenkins, Donald Edwards, Cheryl Hailey, James Rice, Eugene Dobbs, Ricky Anderson, Deborah Garrison, Laura Lee, Beverly Waldrup. FOURTH ROW: Guy Rice, Kathryn Hall, Rhonda Mace, Joe Rice, Philip Shelton. FIFTH ROW: Mrs. English, Mrs. Buckner.

SPECIAL EDUCATION



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Mrs. Ramsey, Linda McLaughlin, Perry King, Ransom Norton, Randy Chandler. SECOND ROW: Teresa Payne, Teresa Rice, Joe Ward, Rickey Norton, Dean Griffin.

Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Kramer, Mrs. Norville, and Miss Anderson select reading material.

Mrs. Ramsey helps students with consonants.

3rd GRADE

Mrs. Carter and class eat lunch together.

Miss Haynie helps a student with her reading.

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Pamela Brown, Michael Brown, Gary Hernandez, Rebecca Sue Randolph, Rickie Rice, Ricky West, Kathy Ball, Terry Norton, Cindy Narron, Agnes Arrington, Rickey Edwards, Kenny Green, Cindy Brigman, Doris Worley, Terra Norton. SECOND ROW: Eddie Fox, Ricky Hoyle, Helen Denton, Cheryl Norton, Ella Kate Wyatt, Emma Kay Coates, Jackie Coates, Ricky Tweed, Alex Navy, David Carson, Dianne Coffey, Karen Smith, Robert Mace, Mike Shelton. THIRD ROW: Larry Rice, Kathy Ballard, Steven Wood, Paul Powell, Sidney Hunter, Stanley Edwards, Ann Fish, Sylena Morgan, Loretta Shook, Randy Cody.

2nd GRADE

Mrs. Briggs enjoys her bulletin board.

Mrs. Hawkins makes good use of her felt board.

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Joe Walker, Freida Hensley, Donna Rogers, Tina Phillips, Jean Jordan, Sandra Wheeler, Judy Franklin, Laura Metcalf, Michael Bechtol. SECOND ROW: V. C. Shook, Amy Merrill, Kathy Metcalf, Joe Merrill, Craig Coates, Suzanne Powell, Connie Boone, Denise Griffin, Ruth Jarvis, Rebecca Jarvis, Johnny Jarvis, Rosalind Payne, Alan English, Nancy Zink, Chris Shelton. THIRD ROW: Mrs. Hawkins, Rebecca Fox, Linda Ammons, Joe Robinson, Teresa Ammons, Charlene Ray, Debora Roberts, Rickey Byrd, Charles Hamlin, Cynthia Stanton, Darrel Carter, Craig McDaris, David Long, Randy Allison.

1st GRADE

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Kim Peek, Charlene Carter, Rhonda Shelton, Mark Norton, Roger Ball, Debra Ammons, Whitney Wyatt, Sharon Shelton, Sandra Hawk, Sheila Rice, Stephanie Metcalf, Dianne Rice, Tammy Jarvis, Scotty Hickey, Allen Powell, Tim Bradley. SECOND ROW: Mary Etta Marler, Stewart Brigmon, Ervin Norton, Greg Ammons, Selina Tomberlin, Stephen Coates, Tim Metcalf, Wanda Arrington, Debbie Shew, Byron Mace, Glen Norville, Richard Edwards, Teresa Pike, Eric Knisley, Cathy Mace, Este Ellen Murray. THIRD ROW: Miss Anderson, Sandra Feldman, Cammie Boss, Gary Roberts, Mark Morgan, Connie Ballard, Jeffrey Merrill, Randy Edwards, Eric English, Alesia Byrd, Charleata Carter, Renee Sronce, Mark Wood, Loyd Cutshall, Mrs. Ebbs.

Mrs. Ebbs' boys and girls enjoy their arithmetic.

Miss Anderson teaches the importance of lining-up properly.

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

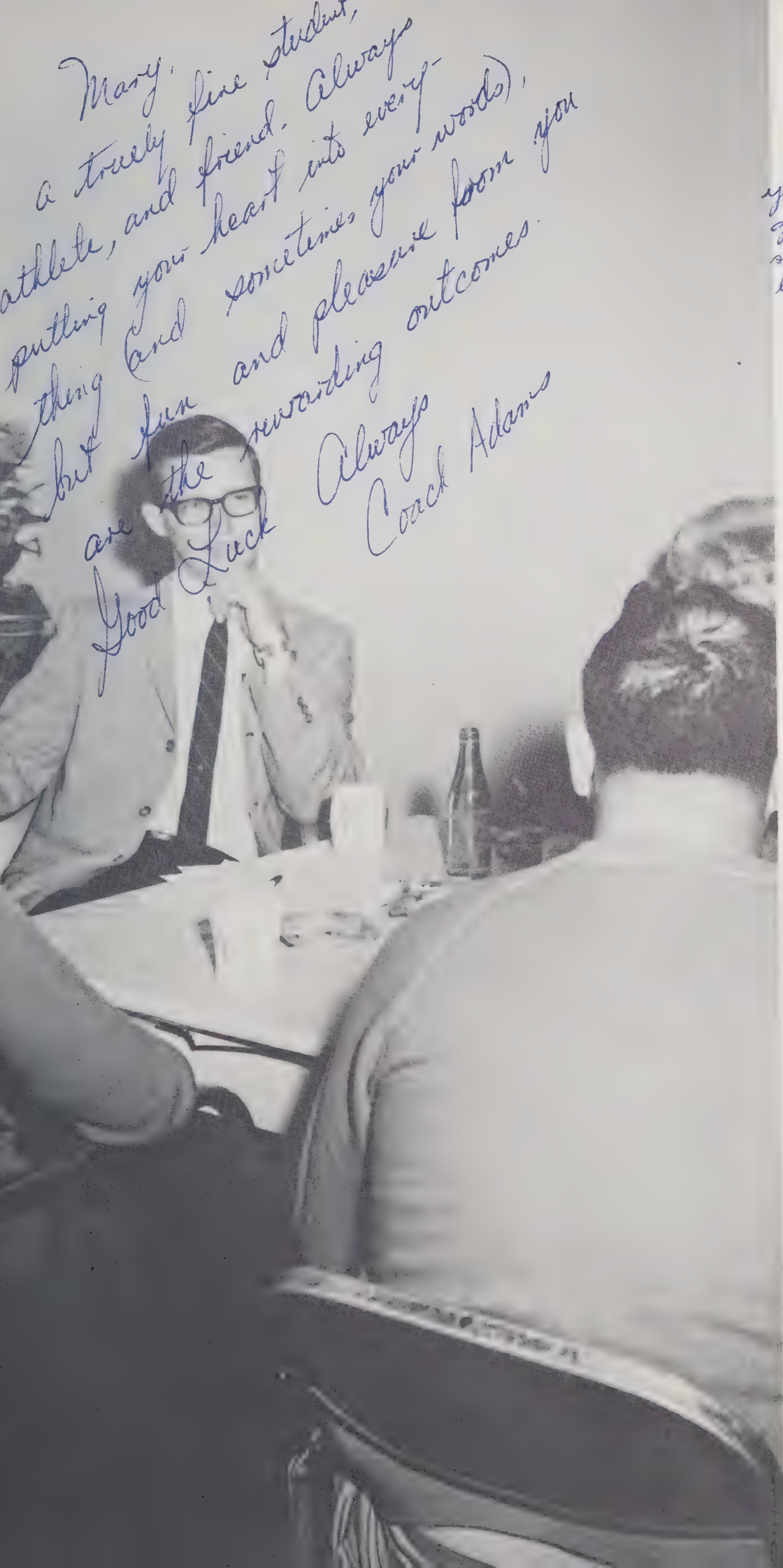
Homecoming was the long awaited event of the football season. Miss Kathy Robinson was chosen to reign over the evening's festivities. The dance, featuring the music of Jay Flippin and his band, was one of the most beautiful ever — a transformation of our gymnasium into a wonderland of red and white ecstasy. A new event this year was the selection of a Bachelor of Ugliness. Mr. Bobby Debruhl was awarded this coveted title after his very realistic rendition of "Little Red Riding Hood" — not to mention the grace and poise which he displayed in swim and evening wear competition. Mr. Tony Sluder and Mr. Cline Gosnell were runners-up in this very close race which afforded the students with a great deal of excellent entertainment.

A dream comes true!

Homecoming dance — how much fun!!

Jay Flippin tickles the keys.

I'm qualified for Bachelor of Ugliness!



Mary
Best of luck in future
years to a very lovely
girl. Been nice going
school with you these
last few years.
a friend
Jim

ACADEMIC

Within the pages of this book, we have concrete evidence that Mars Hill School has a workable and working philosophy. It is clearly evident that our students are making wise choices, are developing an appreciation of democratic procedures, and are developing a closer working relationship within the school home — community circle. Time will underscore these accomplishments.

Fred Dickerson
Principal

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

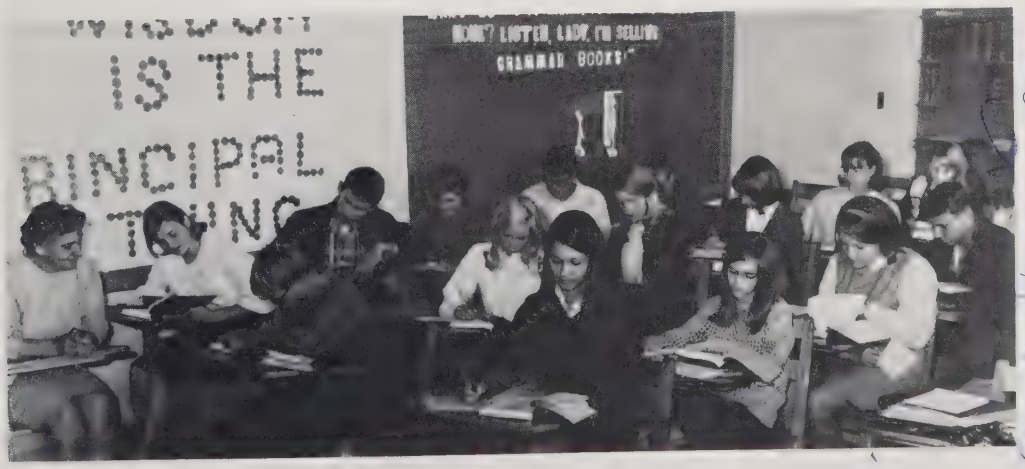
Yes, Jerry. Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow . . .

Mrs. Wood

Mrs. Bell

It's "fun" in any language. English plays a vital role in MHH students' studies from their entrance into high school until graduation. By studying both grammar and literature, we learn to understand ourselves and our society better. From writing themes on the deterioration of Macbeth's character and portraying scenes of Julius Caesar in "beatnik", to learning about the lives and works of great American authors, we gain a glimpse of truly great literature. Participles, gerunds, infinitives, and other parts of speech combine forces to literally stump us at times, but our able instructors enable us to grasp their meaning and usage.

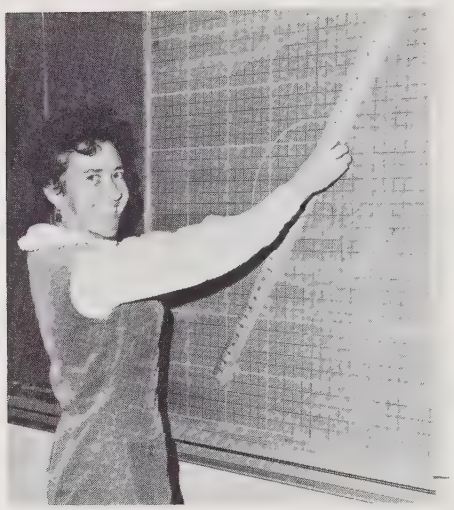
Parlez-vous francais? Some of us pretend to. In our French courses we study the lives of the gay Parisians and learn more about their culture and civilization. Conjugation, translation, "petit dictionaires", and comparisons of French and English parts of speech and their usage constitute our course of study. Though our accents are unusual and our translations are not always understood readily, we realize that in conquering a foreign language we are one step closer to an understanding of the world.



Nous sommes les etudiants de francais.

Mrs. Suttles

MATH



Miss Hall

Always trying to find a new angle!

The math department offers the key to solving those mystical formulas such as $X = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ Slide rules, compasses, protractors, and good erasers are standard equipment. Students in Miss Hall's Algebra I class can easily compute Duke's football and basketball scores. Through endless theorems and postulate's, Euclid's formula of Geometry reveals itself. Secants and cosecants are constant companions of Algebra III and Trigonometry students. Our math department offers superior preparation for higher mathematics.

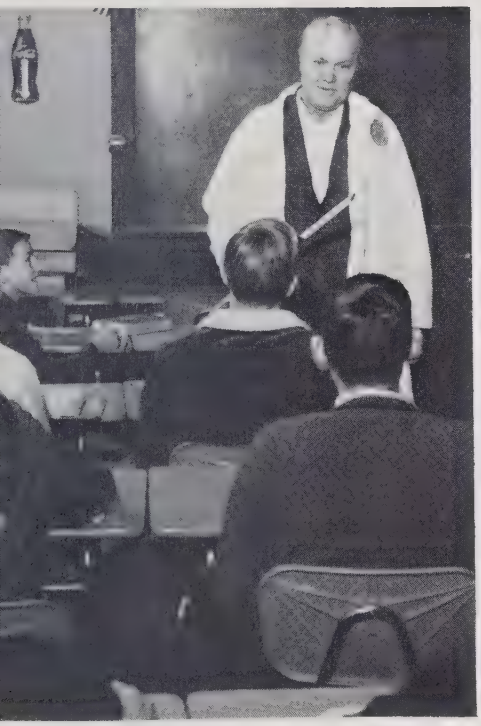
HOME ECONOMICS

The enticing aroma of food coming from the Home Economics department makes the students working in close-by classes wish they were eating that delicious-smelling food. Mrs. Metcalf's classes not only get classroom experience in handling food; she and her girls make sure that we have food and drinks at all football and basketball games here at school. In addition to cooking, the girls receive careful instruction in sewing. After ripping out numerous seams and a few "puckering" darts, the finished garment is ready to be worn by the proud producer. Other areas of study include home management, child care, home nursing, nutrition, money management, and for the senior girls a unit in preparation for marriage.

A very neat hem, Nellie!

Mrs. Metcalf

AGRICULTURE



Now, boys — would you believe . . .

Mr. Andrews

The official motto of the FFA expresses the entire program of our classes in agriculture: *"Learning to do"* — the boys study practical and scientific agriculture so they can become good farmers; *"Doing to learn"* — Each boy takes on farming projects from which he gains practical experience; *"Earning to live"* — The boy tries to operate his farming program so he will earn a profit that he can use to expand his projects; *"Living to serve"* — These young men develop qualities of competent leadership and responsible citizenship.

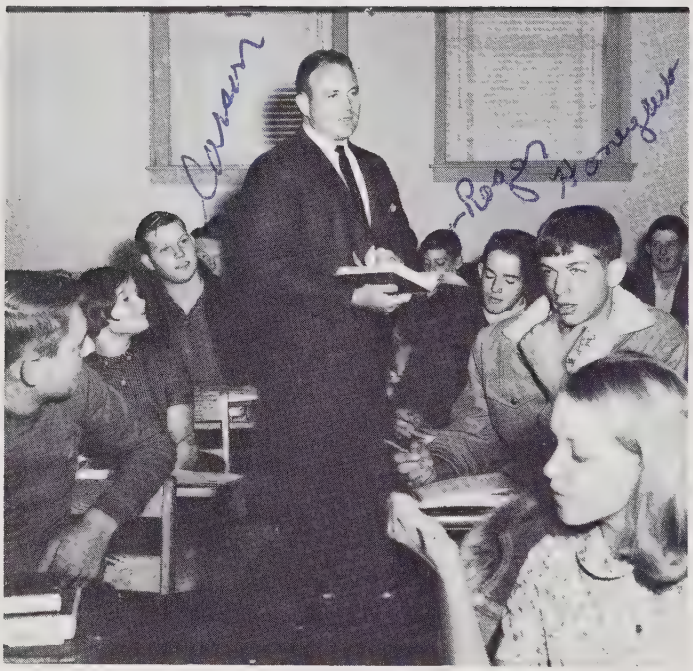
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The buzz of the saw, the steady hammering of nail into wood, the scrape of the trowel against brick, the sound of a shovel digging into the earth which is to be replaced with a sidewalk or flight of steps, an occasional laugh or shouted word — these utterances so frequently heard around school inform us of the presence of Mr. Tugman's crew! These hard working young men have contributed much toward making the learning process more enjoyable and more comfortable for all of us. As they labor to make additions and improvements for our benefit, they are being prepared for a future vocation.

Mr. Tugman

Build it up! Tear it down! What a shame!

SCIENCE



How interesting!

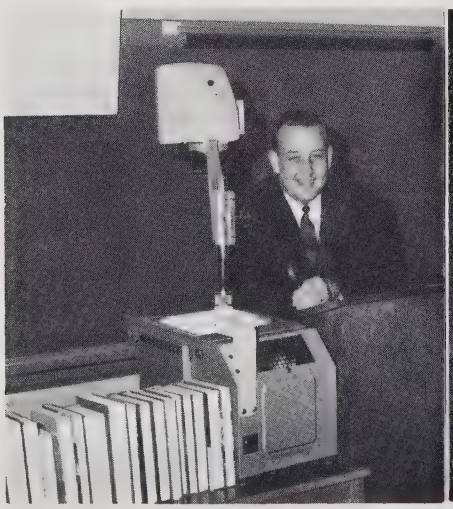
This is gametophyte?

In General Science we receive a general knowledge of the world we live in and why things are the way they are. WHY is the big question here.

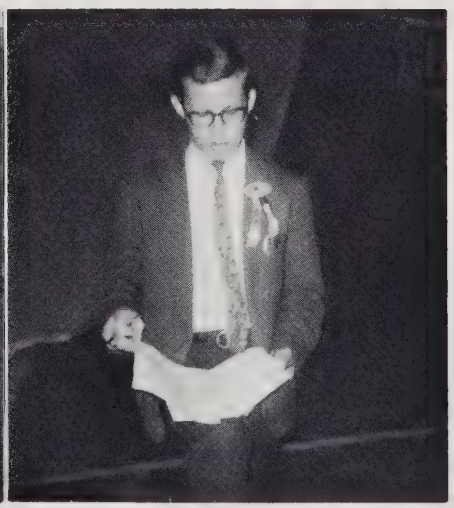
The science of life, Biology, is an interesting branch of the scientific picture. In Biology, our students listen to lectures and study the make-up and functions of living things.

$Na + Cl \rightarrow NaCl$ . . . In chemistry, our students learn to mix chemical compounds and to test formulas. If we go through the year without blowing ourselves up, we are lucky enough to get a well-rounded knowledge of Chemistry.

Lab can really be a blast!!!

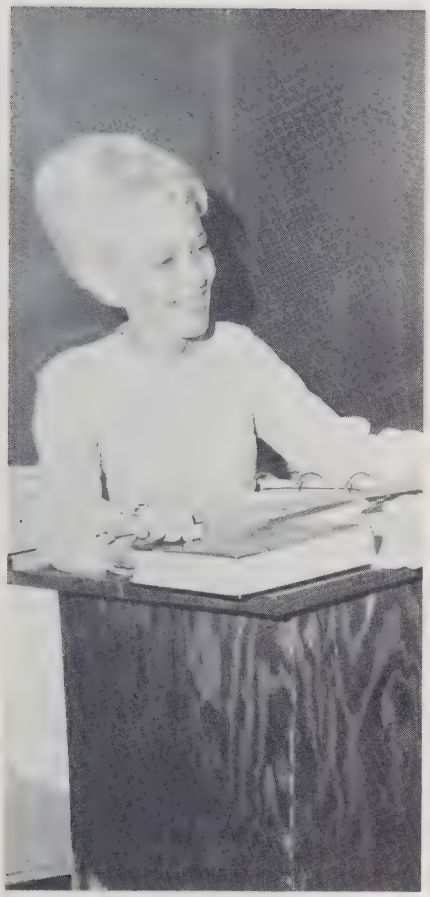


Mr. McCurry

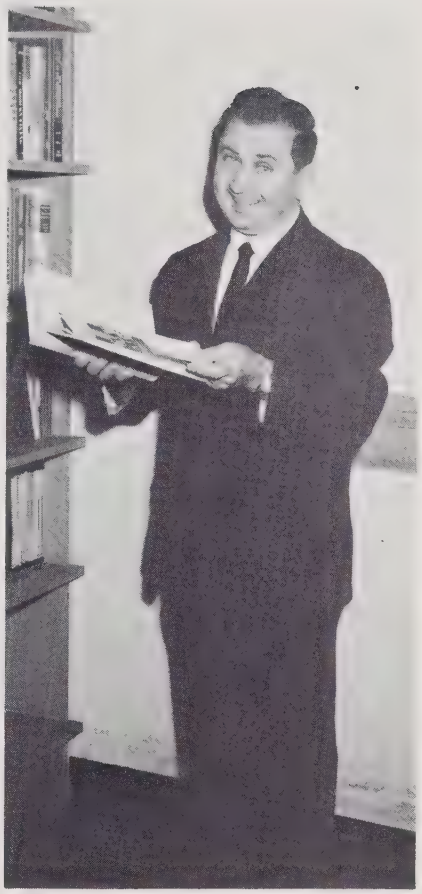


Mr. Carriker

SOCIAL STUDIES



Mrs. Phillips



Mr. Wallin

"L. J., explain the Mediterranean climate.

While learning our American heritage, we have a chance to dig back into the dusty past through dimensions of world history. We caught a glimpse of Plato, Aristotle, Ceasar, and Mark Antony. American history gave us a glimpse of their American counterparts, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and other builders of our American democracy. World geography made maps, areas, populations, and races more understandable. Economics students learn how to be successful businessmen through their knowledge of our country's free economy. Sociology helped us to understand more about ourselves and our relationships with others.

Where's your chapter, Richie?

And here's *your* test, Elaine!

Now, back to American history . . .

Mrs. McCurry

Mrs. Norton

A race against time!

BUSINESS

Pens and pencils scratched frantic notes or rested, poised or tapped, weighed fact. Paper — in books and binders — gently rippled as it flipped back and forth, yielding knowledge or tapping it. Tired fingers pounded the typewriters in a frantic race with time. Adding, dividing, multiplying, taking dictation — is there anything a machine can't do? These activities assure for many a higher proficiency and degree of success which will, if they so desire, prepare them to serve in the business world.

LIBRARY

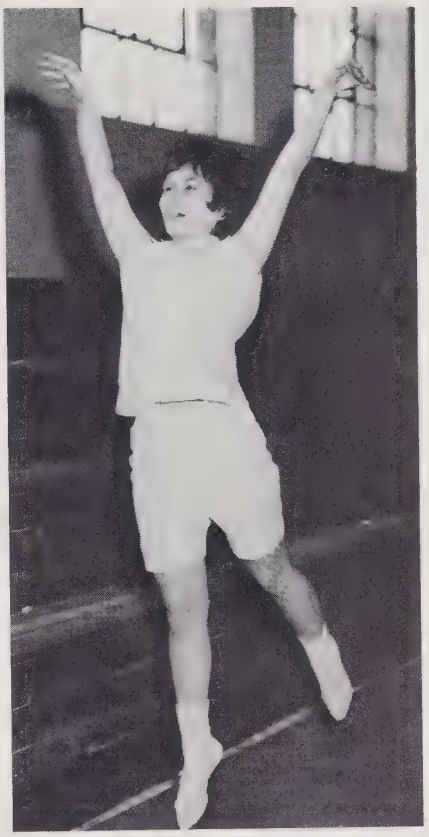
Mrs. Clayton

Our well equipped library offers to students the tools of learning. The volume and choice of books, periodicals, pamphlets, and other materials is to be commended.

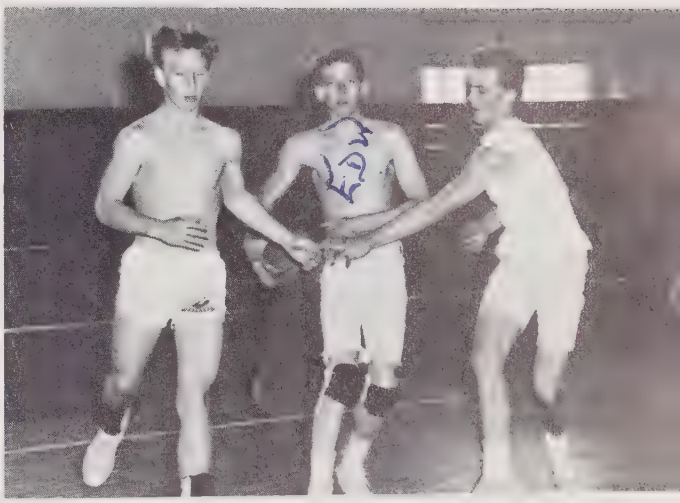
All work and no play . . .

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. Sams



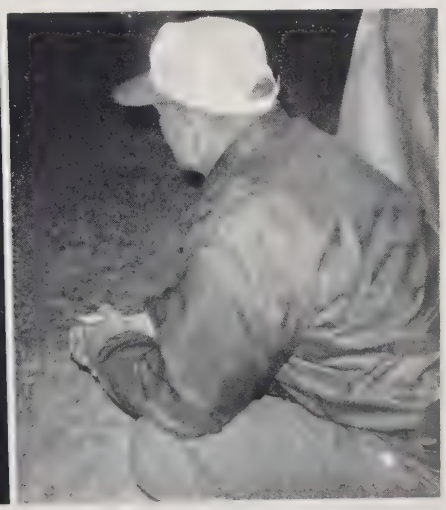
Mrs. Moffitt



Training the body

Exercise — 1, 2, 3, 4 — A familiar sound in any physical education class. Through physical activities we learn the meaning of fair play, sportsmanship, cooperation. We deal with much more than the "physical" aspect of an education. In health and physical education the primary objective is to develop both mind and body. We learn to keep the body strong and vigorous so that it may be able to obey and execute the orders of the mind . . . a sound mind in a sound body.

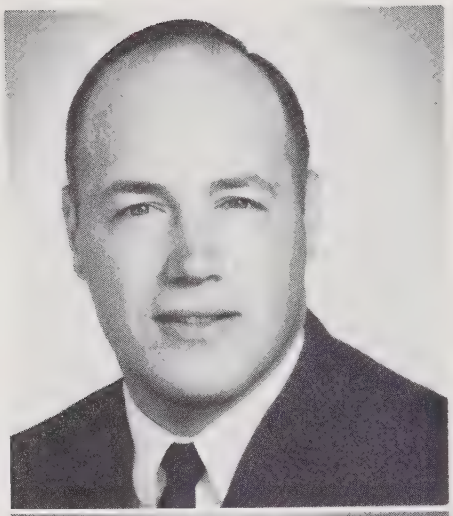
Mr. Moss

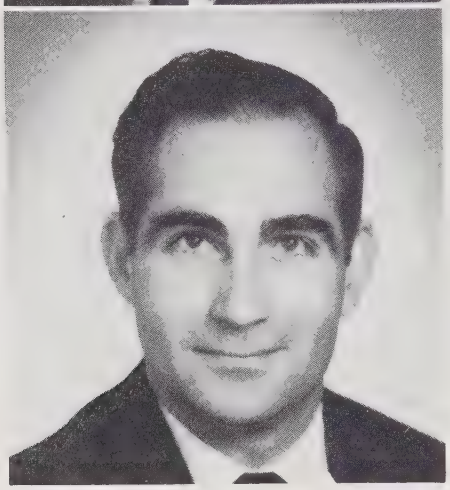


Mr. Ammons

Stimulating the mind

DRIVER EDUCATION





Mr. Rice
Mr. Thomas

It's clean-up time!

Driver Education is a prerequisite in North Carolina to the acquisition of a driver's license. It takes a great deal of courage and skill to teach students to drive, but Mr. McClelland Rice possesses these qualities. He teaches both the driver's manual and the on-the-road training. Mr. Bob Thomas prepares interested students for driving school busses. He has done an outstanding job as emphasized by the quality of our student drivers. No one has a greater responsibility than school bus drivers. It is they who miss that extra hour of sleep to get us to school on time. They often have to drive under hazardous weather conditions and must condition their nerves to cope with the laughter and happy noises of school children. We all owe them our respect and appreciation for a job well done.

SECRETARY

Running off last minute mastercopies . . . interruption many times each day by students needing supplies . . . passing messages to the students . . helping in numerous emergencies, . . . such are the duties of our school secretary, Mrs. Doris Dickerson. Always cheerful and eager to aid in any way, Mrs. Dickerson is a welcome asset to MHHS.

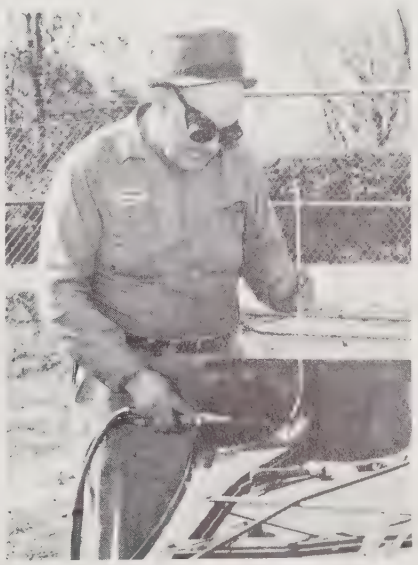
"May I help you?"

Mrs. Dickerson

SERVICES

Assignment: feed the multitude.

Witty . . . cheerful . . . good-natured . . . lways on the job . . . friends to all students and lty . . . indespensible individuals feed us, make e we have transportation, and competently maintain our physical plant. In all kinds of weather and all hours of the day, these individuals insure the smooth operation of MHHS. They are always co-operative and cheerful, aspects which demand for them our admiration and appreciation.



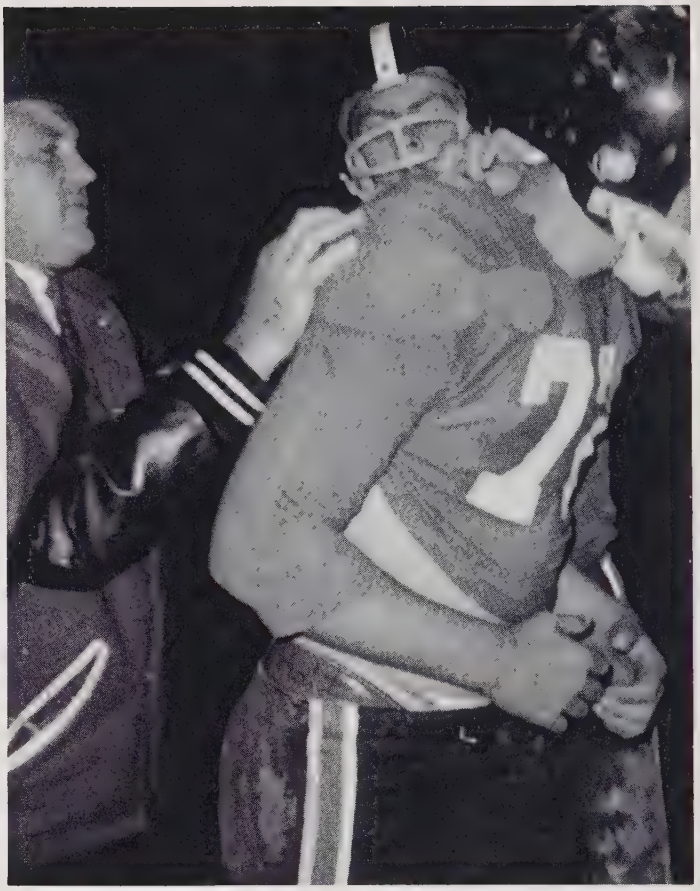
Mr. Payne at work.

Mr. Murray, what's that?

Mrs. Green battles dust.

Mr. Edmonds "fills 'er up".

The fun-filled four



Always ready to help

Enjoyment always

Anything for a joke!

Did you hear what Moss said that Carriker said that Wallin said . . .

It's hurting me more than it's hurting you!

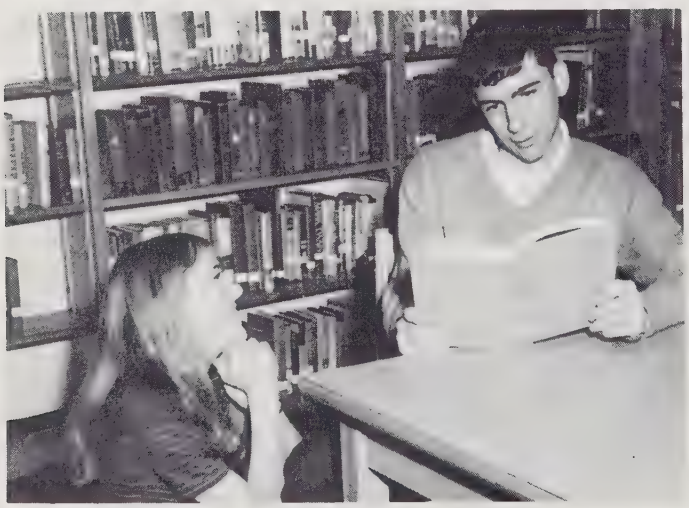
Ooh — that smarts!!

. . . But, Mr. McCurry, *she* has other plans.

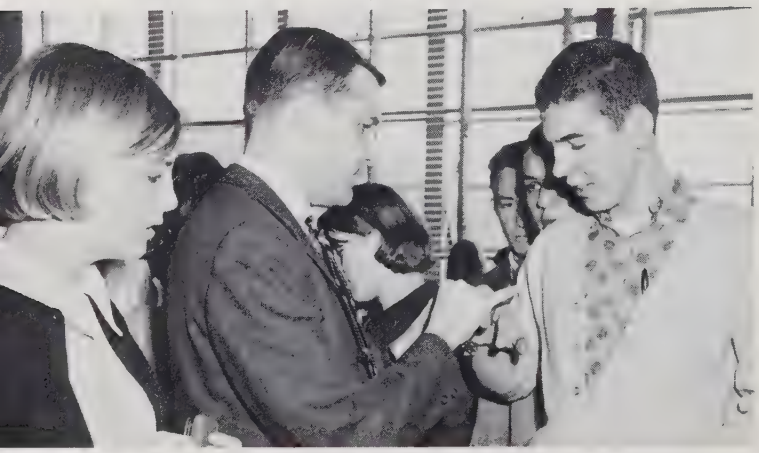
DECEMBER & JANUARY

"Brr — the water's cold!" Such an expression was the whole-hearted opinion of L. J. Hamlin, Bobby Debruhl, and Jerry Honeycutt after experimenting with swimming in December's icy waters. Juniors felt they had reached a milestone upon ordering their class rings in early December — a sensation shared by the seniors as they ordered graduation invitations and were measured for their caps and gowns. The Christmas spirit invaded Mars Hill with an extra special gift from Santa — the semi-formal dance held at the Community Center. Despite mid-term exams and intermittent snow which closed school every other day, Twirp Week was held — the climax of which was the big dance and the coronation of our very first Twirp King and Queen.

Rushing the season, aren't you?

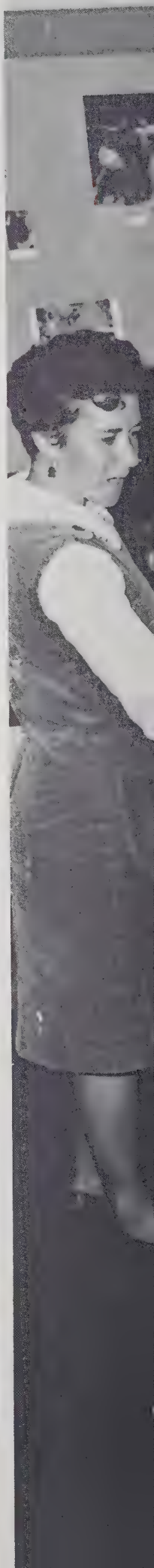


Please, Danny — it's Twirp Week!



Juniors measure for class rings.

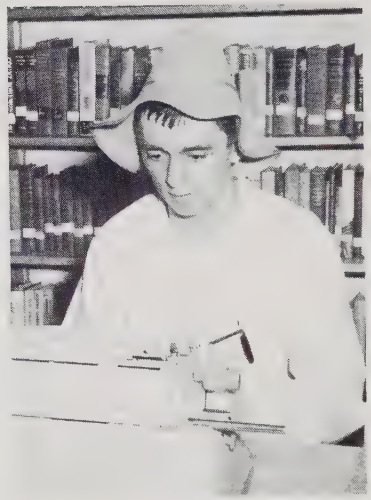
It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



ORGANIZATIONS

WILDCAT STAFF

Deadlines, Deadlines, Deadlines, . . . Early in the year with the solicitations of subscriptions and contributions, the Wildcat Staff's year's work began. The information about all club, academic, and extra-curricular activities was compiled, and the work of laying out the book so as to best depict events and people of MHHS got underway. There is no denying the headaches of meeting deadline after deadline, drawing and redrawing layouts, striving to get the *perfect* pictures for each page. But these problems were solved and the deadlines met. In between dances, conventions, fund-raising activities, and piles of homework, time was found for completing the annual. Lots of hard work and lots of fun made this annual something to be proud of and something to remember with pleasure.



Buddy Cox
Last Will and Testament

Shirley McIntosh, Editor-in-Chief

That deadline must be met!

Steve Huff, Assistant Editor

Mrs. Nina Moffitt, Advisor

Teamwork and cooperation for a successful annual.

Patti Coates, Bobby Willis-Business Managers; Marie Honeycutt, Joyce Cody-Typists.

Janet Slagle-Activities Editor; Shirley Gosnell-Classes; Elaine Ray, Debbie Ferguson-Copy Editors.

Carolyn Briggs, Tony Sluder-Sports Editors; Edith Whitt-Features Editor; Sue Worley-Art Editor.

DRAMATICS CLUB

We know how to act!

To be eligible for membership in the Dramatics Club, students must be interested in dramatics and be willing to take part in the assembly programs and productions which the group presents. The purpose of the club is to provide experience in public speaking, acting, directing, stage management, and various other aspects of "stage life." While being a part of a larger body, the student is still an individual. He is associated with departments, activities, and factions, yet he is more than a Gregarian. He has his moments of glory and those of unusual surroundings which distinguish him from others. Our dramatics club seeks to promote progressive development of the individual's potential, not only in the area of drama, but in all areas of life. One of the most exciting and challenging of Mars Hill's extra-curricular activities is its dramatics productions. Under the direction of the versatile "Mother" Moffitt, the students devote much time, energy and enthusiasm to produce plays for our entertainment and enjoyment. Since, entertainment and training are the key motives, variety is strived for in order to appeal to all potential actors and audiences. The hard work and dedication of our drama department are amply remunerated by the satisfaction achieved from a successful production.

Dramatics club officers "study" make-up!

President: Joyce Cody
Vice-President: Garold Metcalf
Secretary: Bobby DeBruhl
Treasurer: Bobby Willis
Reporter: Richard Rice

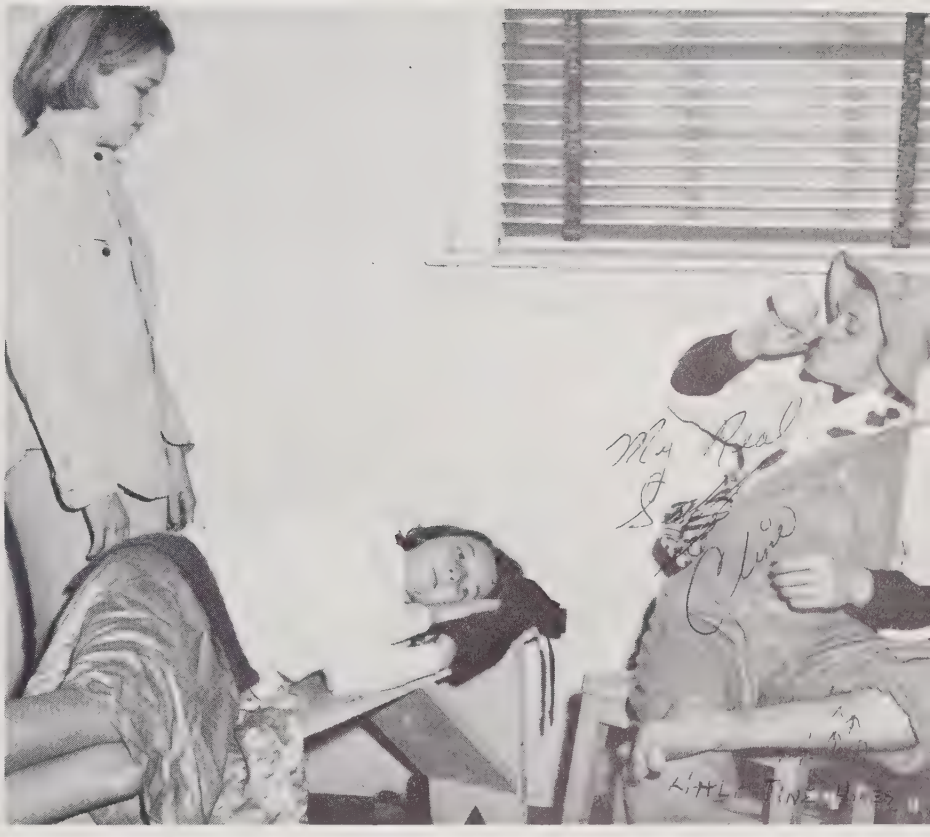
DRAMATICS

I've known what's right and wrong since I've been ten!!

Shoulders back, relax, project, face the audience, cross upright center, CUT . . . Mrs. Moffitt is continually hounding these principles into the heads of her hardworking, industrious dramatics students.

Make-up, scenery, props, costumes — all are integral parts of our dramatics department. Through the presentation of one-act plays and class participation, dramatics students learn to express themselves and lose their inhibitions, thus receiving preparation for a fuller participation in "their world."

This year's class productions were a series of "Mountain Plays" including "Moonshine and Honeysuckle", "Itchin' To Get Hitched", and "On My Hitchin' Day".



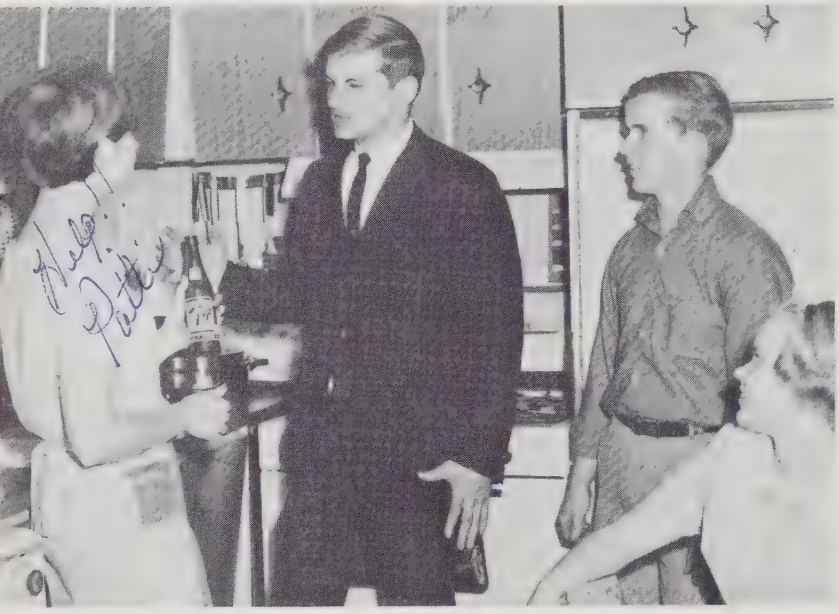
How about a swig of my medysine?

I do? I do! I do! I do!

SENIOR PLAY

The hush of an empty auditorium — the tremendous challenge of creating an exciting show to be remembered always — the grueling hours of practice and hard work — all were preludes to that special moment — of pride and fulfillment — the opening curtain of "Bye-Bye Birdie". "Bye-Bye Birdie" concerned the romance of a composer -publisher-agent and his secretary plus the drafting of his rock'n roll star into the army. In a gigantic publicity stunt they all descended on a small Ohio town and proceeded to turn it upside down. The play was bright and delightful . . . the music and lyrics had freshness and imagination . . . richly rewarding . . . a fresh and humorous musical.

Got a lot of livin' to do!



You don't offer an emperor a warm 7-UP!

Director, Choreographer!

Pianist, Actress

Quick, Rosie, my brief case!

We love you, Conrad!

What a catch she'll be for a convalescent!

Have you heard about Hugo and Kim?

What did we ever see in them?

. . . To Conrad Birdie and the United States of America — both indivisible, with liberty and justice for all!

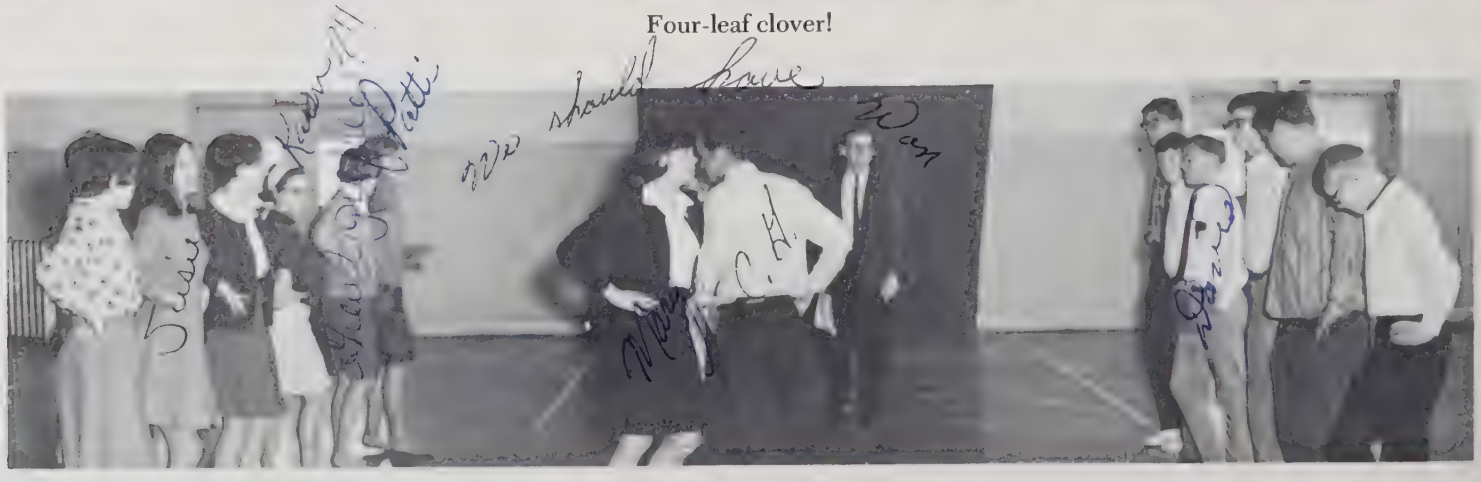
Mr. Birdie! What are you doing?

SQUARE DANCE TEAM

Four leaf clover . . . odd man left . . . skate on ice . . . formations commanded in the rhythm of a solid beat from the phonograph. Each member of the MHH square dance team will finds his toes tapping lightly and his heart skipping wildly to the music of future years as a result of the thrills and participation which hard work, concentration and long hours of practice indelably stamped in his mind. Under the very capable leadership of Mr. Marvin Carriker, the 1968 team danced their way into the hearts of hundreds at the Mountain Youth Jamboree in Asheville. A tip of the Wildcat hat and our heartfelt thanks go to those who labored long to instill in us further pride in the great spirit of MHHS.

Odd man left and form a star!

Four-leaf clover!



Skate on ice!

FRENCH CLUB

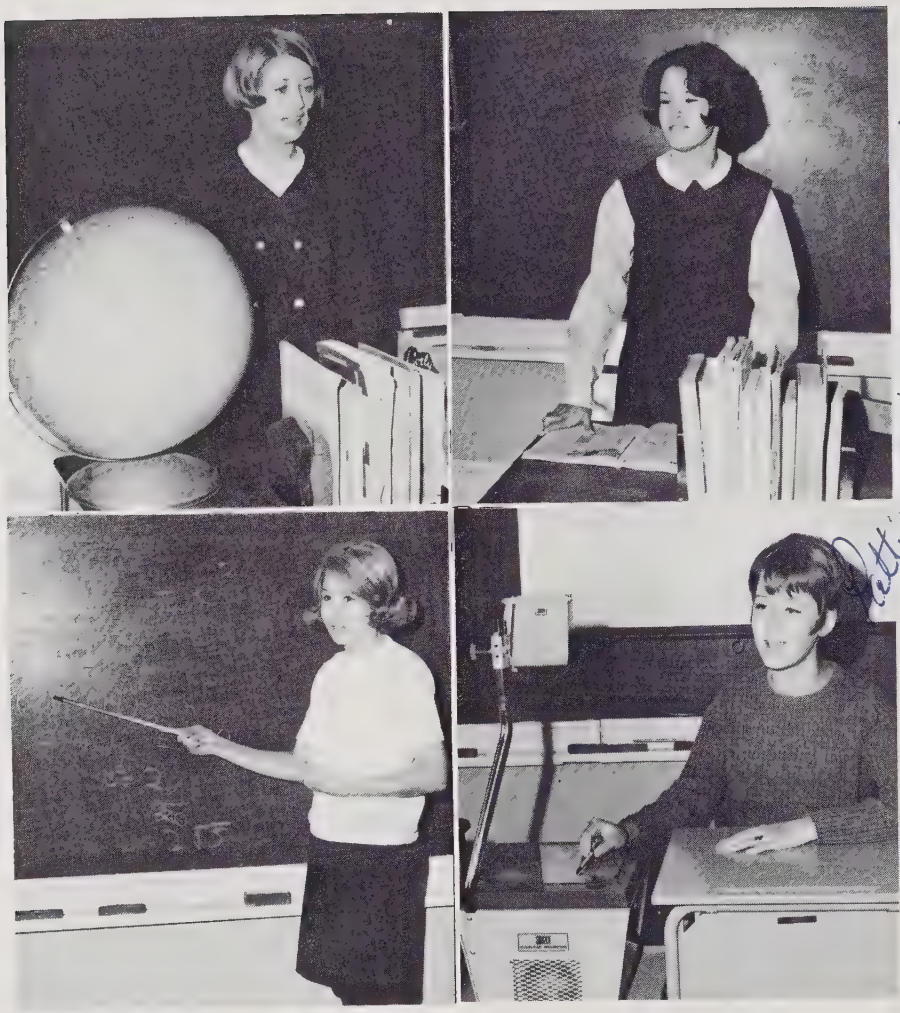
The French Club is an organization of second year French students organized to study the land and people of France. At their bi-monthly meetings, they study a newspaper written entirely in French, learn French songs, and enjoy refreshments among other things.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Pres: Patti Coates
Vice-Pres: Pat English
Sec: Jewel Hollan
Treas: Tony Sluder
Pianist: Carolyn Briggs

The Student Council is composed of two representatives, one boy and one girl, from each homeroom, and the president and the vice-president are chosen by the entire student body. This organization endeavors to aid in creating a strong, unified school spirit, to promote the general welfare of the student body, and to develop a spirit of cooperation between students and faculty. Student Council gives its participants an opportunity to practice democratic proceedures which will be useful in fulfilling their positions as future citizens.

FTA



Pres: Judy Capps

Vice-Pres: Jewell Hollan
Treas: Kathy Robinson

Sec: Faith Fox
Parliamentarian: Patti Coates

"An apple for the teacher . . ." the Future Teachers of America are always busy and on the go making the work of the teachers easier. The club consists of those students who are interested in teaching as their career and possess characteristics which compose a teacher. The members learn about the preparation for teaching, and try to cultivate their own interests, traits, and abilities in this field. The FTA, which is sponsored by Mr. McCurry, devotes their time and enthusiasm each spring to the enjoyable task of assisting the elementary teachers in the classroom as an excellent means of experience and "on-the-job training."

Madison County Teachers' Meeting 1973!!!

FHA

Sophomore girls enjoy cooking class.

Vice-Pres., Briggs; Sec., Edmonds; Treas., Marler; Pres., Cody; and Reporter, Chandler, experiment with methods of the past.

Sew a seam-rip it out-sew it again!

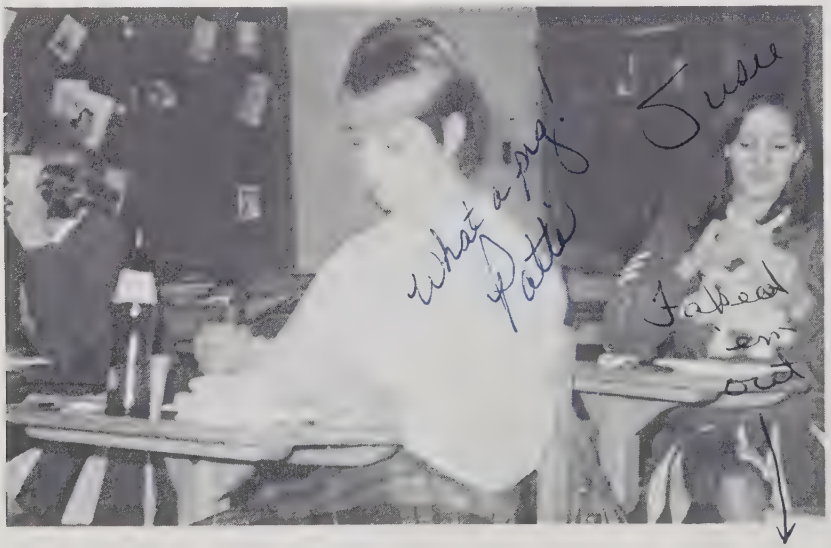
"We are the Future Homemakers of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope." The main purpose of the F.H.A. is to give girls having an interest in Home Economics an opportunity to discuss their interests in this field. The club affords Mars Hill High girls, who are taking courses in Home Economics, an excellent opportunity to further their experiences of learning to be an accomplished homemaker through its various activities of social, cultural, intellectual, and service nature. In this manner scholastic achievement, personal growth, and further interest in Home Economics are emphasized.

Freshmen girls find that homemaking involves not only the inside of the house but various aspects of out-of-door activities as well.

MATH CLUB

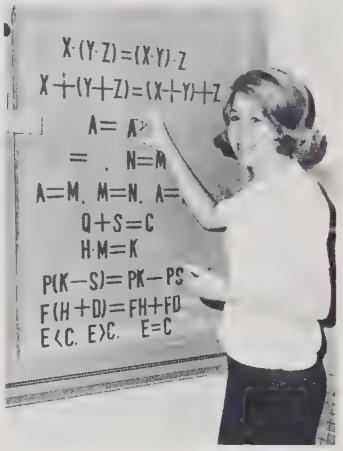
Now, to multiply 2.58 X 146 . . .

Continued focus on the "new math" and interest in vocational application of mathematical skills guided Miss Janet Hall and the Math Club members through their 1967-1968 program. Members of the Math Club investigated individual and combined facilities for advanced study. At club meetings, they enjoyed working problems that apply readily to everyday experiences. Mathematical figurings and activities were highlighted at each meeting with refreshments supplied by the club members.



Kathy, Patti, and Susie enjoy the refreshments at a typical math club meeting.

President
Steve Huff



Vice-President
Kathy Robinson

Secretary
Nancy Thomas

Treasurer
Jim Huff

BETA CLUB

Students with a 90 or above average and faculty approval are elligible for the Beta Club, an organization which is "fellowship" personified. Out Beta Club at Mars Hill High is a group of hard working and hard playing students.

Patti Coates, Treas.; Judy Capps, Report.; Nancy Thomas, Sec.; Jewel Hollan, Vice-Pres.; Tony Sluder, Pres.; Mr. Carriker, Sponsor take time out from their busy, tedious schedule for a moment of recreation!!

A group of enthusiastic leaders — academically, socially, athletically!

MARSHALS

Junior Marshals are chosen on the basis of scholastic attainment. This entitles them to seat guests, be in charge of programs, and be of general assistance at the Baccalaureate Service and graduation exercises. These students must begin working conscientiously in their freshmen year and continue to put forth their best concentrated efforts in order to attain this highly coveted position. These students not only lead their class in academic average, but are also leaders in various of campus life.

Chief Marshal: Steve Huff

Shirley McIntosh

Here at last — a moment long awaited and proudly executed!

Nancy Thomas

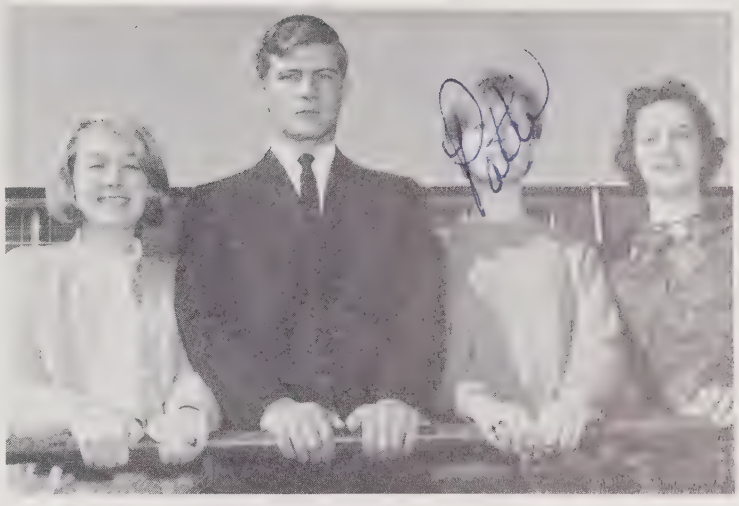
Edith Whitt

Kathy Robinson

Jewel Hollan

HONOR STUDENTS

The members of the Senior class of 1968 are very proud of its large percentage of honor students. Some students enter the ninth grade with the determination to get a good foundation for a specific vocation. They learn to get a thrill from gaining knowledge and participating in worthwhile activities. With consistency of effort, at the end of four years they are rewarded by being chosen as honor students. Our honor students this year are: Steve Huff, valedictorian; Shirley McIntosh, salutatorian; Kathy Robinson, Nancy Thomas, Edith Whitt, Jewel Hollan, Patti Coates, Elaine Roberts, Sarah Sprinkle, Shirley Gosnell, Rita Mace, Sherry Briggs, Judy Capps, Carolyn Briggs, and Tony Sluder.



Excellence in leadership

Natural excellence

Wisdom — the pearl of great price!

Excellence in personality

Excellence in athletics

PEP CLUB

Known to everyone, school spirit plays an important part in the success of its athletic teams. PEP, that intangible essence of vitality and vigor so essential to school spirit, was the prized possession of every Pep Club member. The purpose of this active organization is to engender a positive spirit in the student body as they cheer their teams on to victory. This was done mainly by promoting pep rallies, notifying the students of coming events, and arranging booster buses to away games. With the aid of booster badges, shakers, posters, and word of mouth, the most enthusiastic group of students on the campus announced with pride and interest all events in which our "Wildcat" teams participated. Pep Club members faithfully devoted all their cheerful energy to the promotion of school spirit and sportsmanship, elements which contributed much to the spirit of unity felt by all at Mars Hill High in 1967-1968.

President Tony Sluder, Vice-President Ray Dunivan, Secretary Janet Slagle, and Treasurer Buddy Cox help put the finishing touches on the huge Wildcat for homecoming.

Two bits — four bits — six bits — a dollar all for Mars Hill — stand up and holler!!

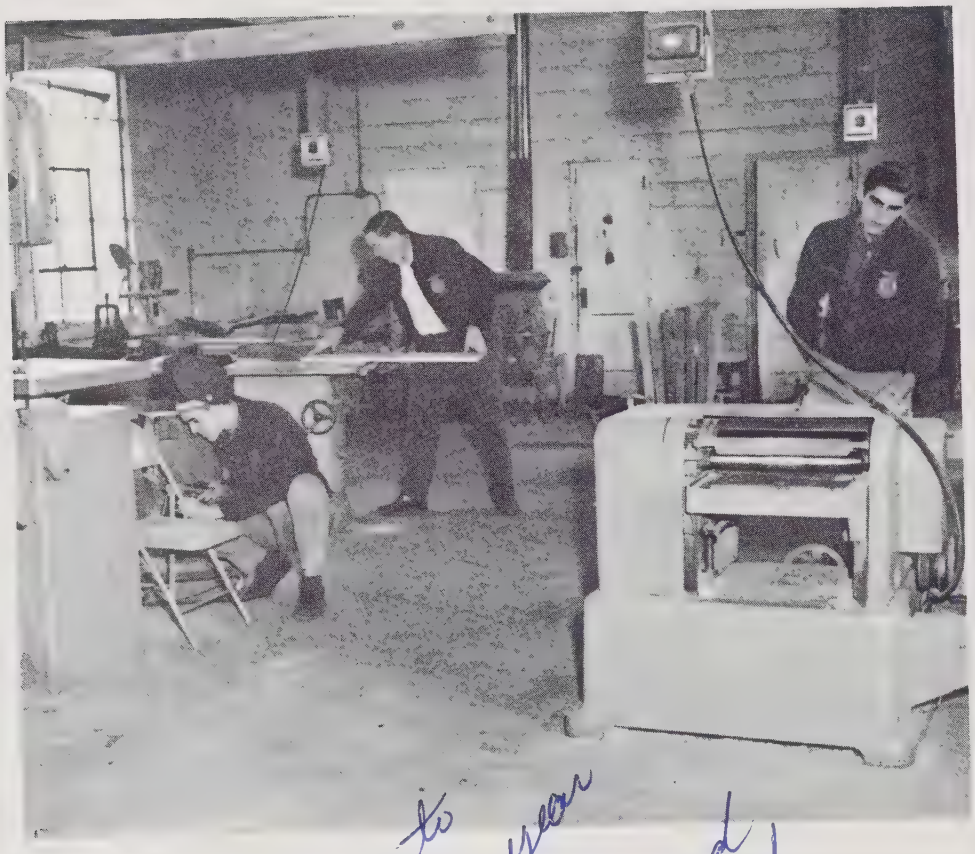
MONOGRAM CLUB

Their pride in Mars Hill High and willingness to be dedicated to that pride bring these athletes together in united cause — to work for victory for MHH!

"M" Club sponsors Moss, Moffitt, Ammons, and Sams inspect letters and trophies.

Membership in the Monogram Club has steadily become a more coveted one. Membership is given only to those who have lettered on one of the school's four principal sports — football, basketball, baseball, and track. Girls who letter in basketball are eligible for membership as are those who earn a letter in girls' track. The varsity cheerleaders and managers of all sports are also eligible. This year an addition which was a definite contribution to our school spirit and enthusiasm was the election of mascots. We were proud of our two "Wildcats" who helped the cheerleaders and the teams to remember the pride in MHH. The "M" Club is a closely knit organization of boys and girls who know how to work together and participate as a successfully functioning unit in athletic events. Truly, these members may say "We've got spirit!"

FFA



Effective use of machinery is essential.

A good job of handing., boys!

The Future Farmers of America is a national organization for farm boys enrolled in vocational agriculture in high school and colleges. The local chapter has ninety members who participate in all State-sponsored contests. These contests include such activities as tool judging, tobacco grading, land judging, parliamentary procedure, beef judging, dairy judging, cooperative activities, home beautification, and farm and home electrification. Our chapter is always well represented in these contests, and our boys usually "bring home the money," which means that we receive top honors in all entered events.

Check the oil and water, please!

F.F.A.'ers enjoying their work.

VICA

Young men today learn vocational skills for their personal benefit and improvement.

Mr. Tugman explains the proper "method".

The purposes of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America are many-fold. Primarily, the objective is to stress the development of various vocational skills; however, this is not the sole concern. VICA realizes that young men must be able to communicate in today's world, and this realization is brought to life through practice in verbal communication. They learn how to successfully apply for employment as well as how to influence others to develop their own personal and vocational skills. The overall objective of VICA is to endeavor to convey to all members the kaleidoscopic aspects of life itself and to prepare their members to fulfill their obligation as worth while citizens.

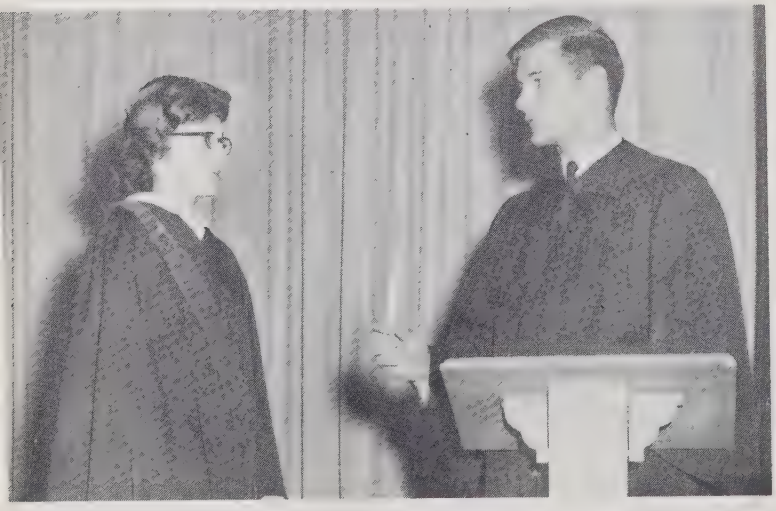
VICA Sponsor, Paul Tugman, Secretary Freddie Wallin, President Ronnie Thomas, and Treasurer Richard Bailey have an informal chat.

FEBRUARY & MARCH

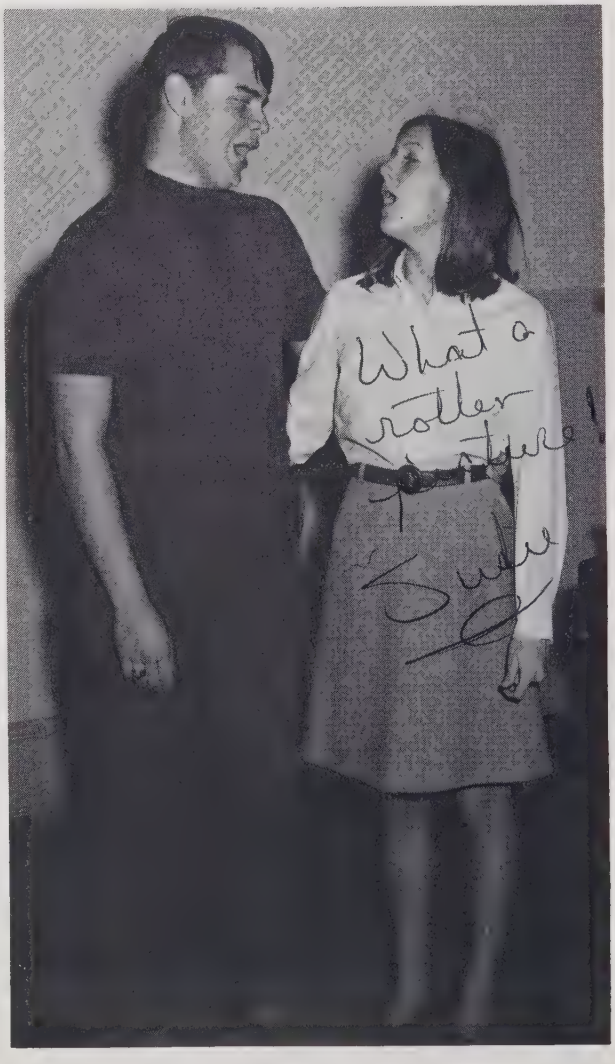
"Blow thou winter wind". And blow they did as howling February and March slid into Mars Hill. Our campus was alive with basketball activity as the county tournament and play-off games began to dominate our calendars. Cupid's darts pierced the hearts of several students as that special Valentine's Day arrived. New members were inducted into the Beta Club in a very impressive candlelight ceremony where the principles and the purposes of the club were explained to the new members and the student body. Lines, lyrics, and characterizations were constant companions for many students as the date for "Bye Bye Birdie" drew closer and closer. The end of March brought exciting thoughts of events that were forthcoming.

S-I-N-K! Sink it!

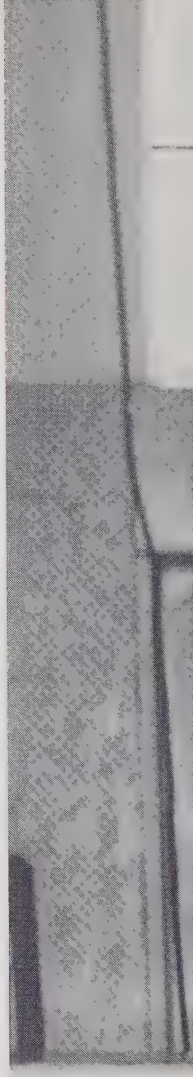
Will ya'? Huh?



The Beta Club taps Susan Chapman.



A Rose is a Rose is a Rose!



ATHLETICS

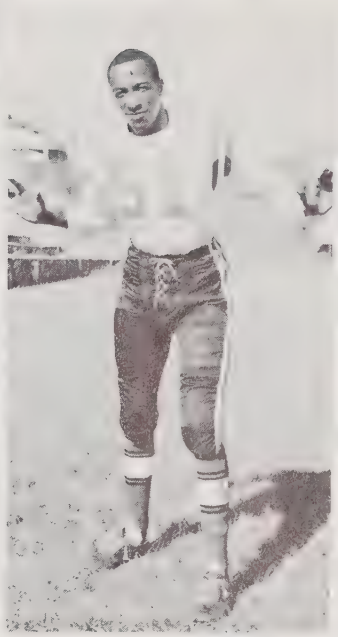
MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
Bobby Debruhl

BEST BLOCKER—Jim Huff

BEST DEFENSIVE PLAYER—Harlen Wilson

JIM HUFF
End

L. J. HAMLIN
Halfback



HARLEN WILSON
End

JERRY SHELTON
End

Mary,
You cute devil it
sure has been a pleasure
having you as a friend this
year and the years in the past.
We sure had a lot of fun didn't
we. I really looking foward to
next year when we are juniors.
(Junior Seniors). See you around this
summer

Sots and Sots
of love
Dean

BOBBY DEBRUHL
Center

JAY EDWARDS
Center

JERRY HONEYCUTT
Quarterback

STEVE HUFF
End

FIRST ROW, (SITTING): Phillip Ervin, Bill Zink, L. J. Hamlin, Donnie Griffin, Dean Norton, Sigsbee Duck, Jack Brown, Bob Holcombe, Alan Buckner, David Thomas. SECOND ROW: Jack Radford, Harlon Wilson, Larry DeBruhl, Jerry Shelton, Johnny Griffin, Tommy Boone, Jimmy Hall, Vance Ingle, Harry Dillingham. THIRD ROW: Coach Moss, Lanny Robinson, Jay Edwards, Bobby DeBruhl, Farrell Brady, Jim Huff, Philip Robinson, Jerry Honeycutt, Steve Huff, Coach Ammons.

Coaches Ammons and Moss discuss game strategy with Captains: DeBruhl and Hamlin.

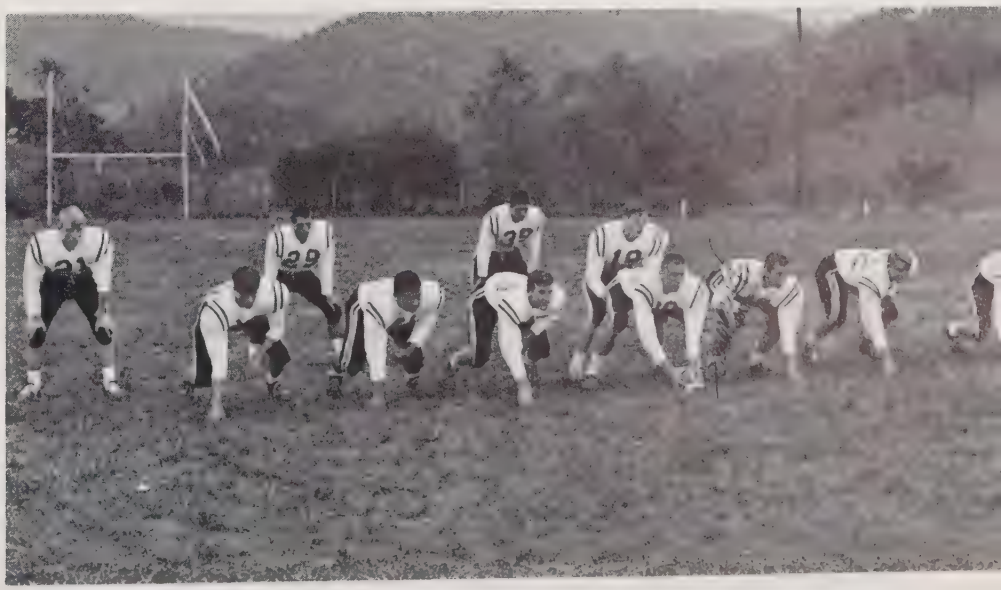
FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

	OPPONENT	MARS HILL
Marshall	0	14
East Yancy	12	27
Hot Springs	7	37
Spruce Pine	33	12
North Buncombe	16	20
Cane River	19	27
Rosman	13	14
Marshall	12	7
Bakersville	26	14

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bob Holcombe, Jerry Shelton, Jim Huff, Jimmy Hall, Jerry Honeycutt, Johnny Griffin, Philip Robinson, Bobby DeBruhl, Lanny Robinson, L. J. Hamlin, Harlen Wilson.

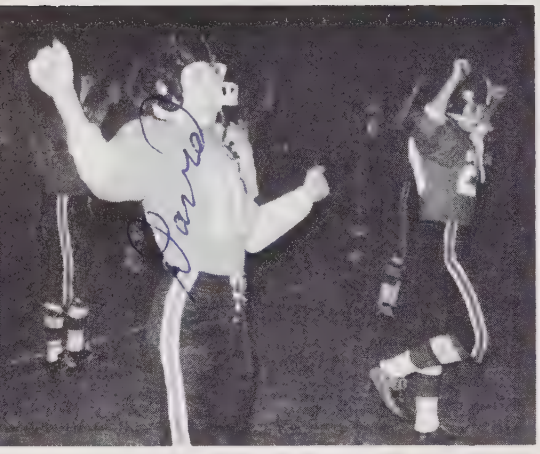
Managers: Cline Gosnell and Ray Dunivan

Of all the things I managed, I wish I could have managed. "Two Manage Something else."



LEFT TO RIGHT: Bob Holcombe, Jim Huff, L. J. Hamlin, Jimmy Hall, Harry Dillingham, Philip Robinson, Jerry Honeycutt, Bobby DeBruhl, Johnny Griffin, Lanny Robinson, Steve Huff.

True harry carry!



1-2-blood and guts!

1968 Homecoming . . .

Ramblin' Hamlin!

Go! 'Go! Get Him! Get Him! Uh! Uh!

A night long remembered!

Talk it up!

Wildcat night!

Tough Huff!

We're on the grid iron!

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

leaders in school spirit . . . fall nights . . . sore throats . . . hot chocolate, cheered with undampened spirits . . . smiles and tears.

Captain — Kathy Robinson

Sponsor — Nina Moffitt

Music . . . pretty girls . . . pompom routines.

Debbie Ferguson

Karen McPeters

Sherry Briggs

Rebecca Sams

Janet Slagle and Rea Dunivan

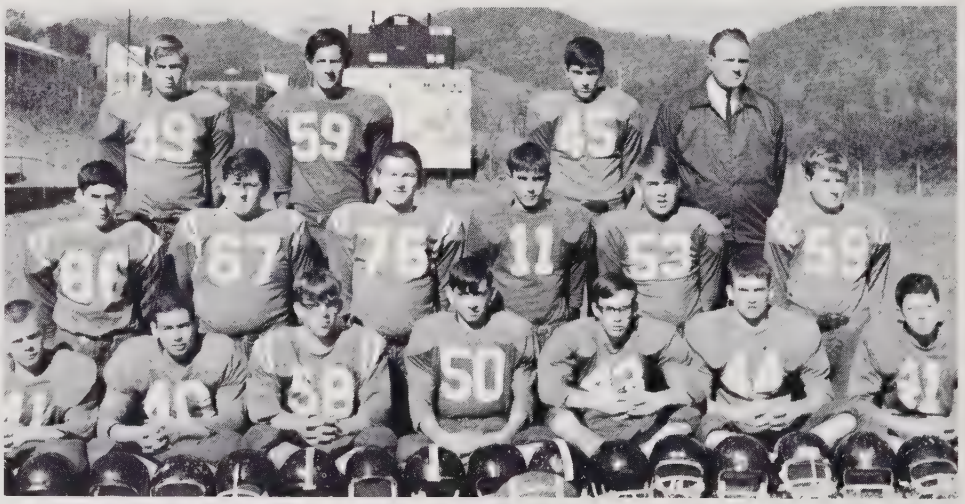
Elaine Ray

Susie Murray

Our Junior Varsity Football Team was a perpetual ball of fire. These boys did their best to show what Mars Hill spirit really mean to them. Our own enthusiasm to Mars Hill was deepened by watching these, our active J.V.'S — a squad of fine young men who proved to their opponents that they possessed the quality of desire to win.

Coach Moss — Manager Jarvis

Captains Ball and Castelloe



FIRST ROW: Tommy Hamlin, Bill Lovins, Jimmy Eller, A. C. Honeycutt, Mike English, Aaron Ball, Doyle Peek. SECOND ROW: Al Snipes, David Ingram, Larry Debruhl, Ken Castelloe, Mike Chandler, James Shook. THIRD ROW: Roger Murray, David Griffin, Bruce Murray, Coach Moss.

Captains Cody and Zink

Our "Midget" team was really something to be proud of this year. Every game seemed to open up a new frontier for these small giants — for this is truly what they were. If such spirit as was shown is kept alive in these young boys, a fine future in football will be ours.

Coach Sams — Manager Arrington

FIRST ROW: Dean Ball, Randy Zink, Allen Bradley, Larry Thomas, Keith Walker, Ivan Randolph, Kenneth English. SECOND ROW: Larry Chandler, James Fox, Junior Dobbs, Sandy Cody, John Roberts, Michael Reece, Kenneth Shelton, Coach Sams.

J. V. CHEERLEADERS

The J.V. Cheerleaders vigorously promoted school spirit and unity. Selected early in the school year, the girls spent many long hours preparing and coordinating new cheers, pom-pom routines, and pep rallies for their own 'cats. Led by captain Paula Sams, these girls generated an unending pep and enthusiasm which inspired us all.

Victory tonight . . . right!!

Paula Sams, Captain

Judy Boone

Janet Lee

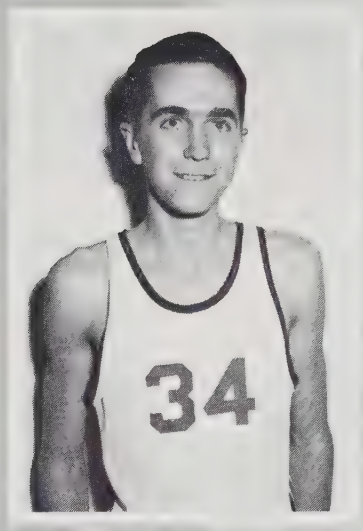
Teresa Buckner

Leuretha Buckner

Susie Thomas

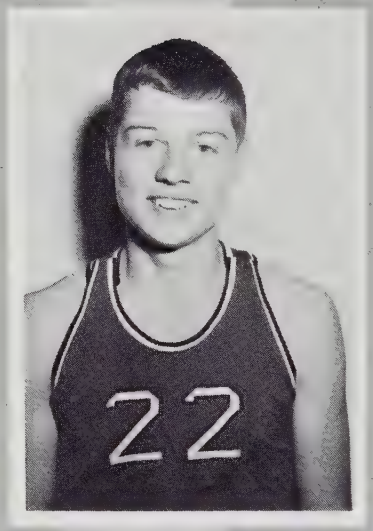
Elissa Hailey

BOYS' BASKETBALL

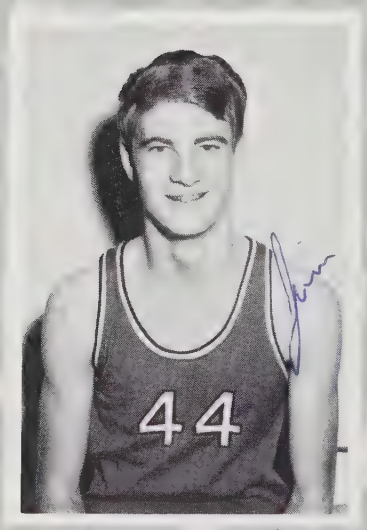


JAMES RAY

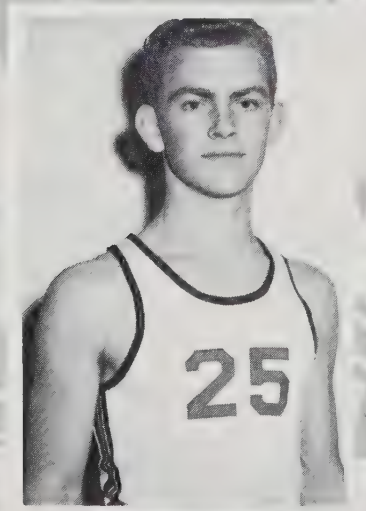
COACH SAMS



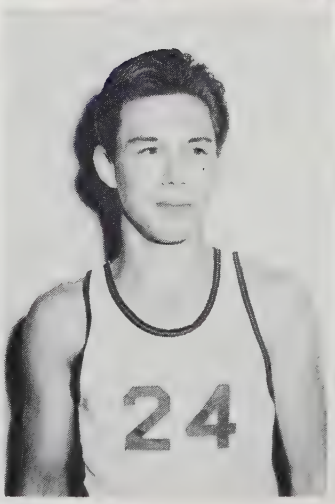
STEVE HUFF



JIM HUFF



TOMMY BOONE

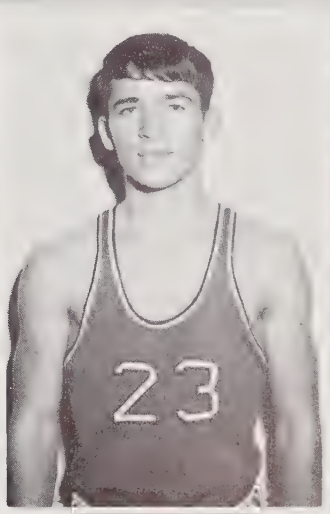


FRED RAY

KELSY FURGESON

JERRY HONEYCUTT

HONEYCUTT + SAMS + HUFF + HAMLIN = SUCCESS



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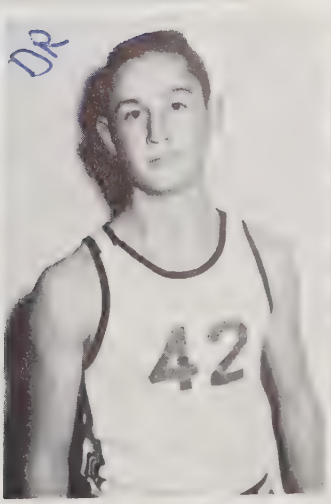
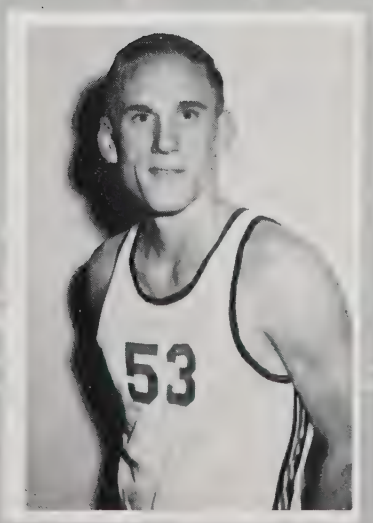


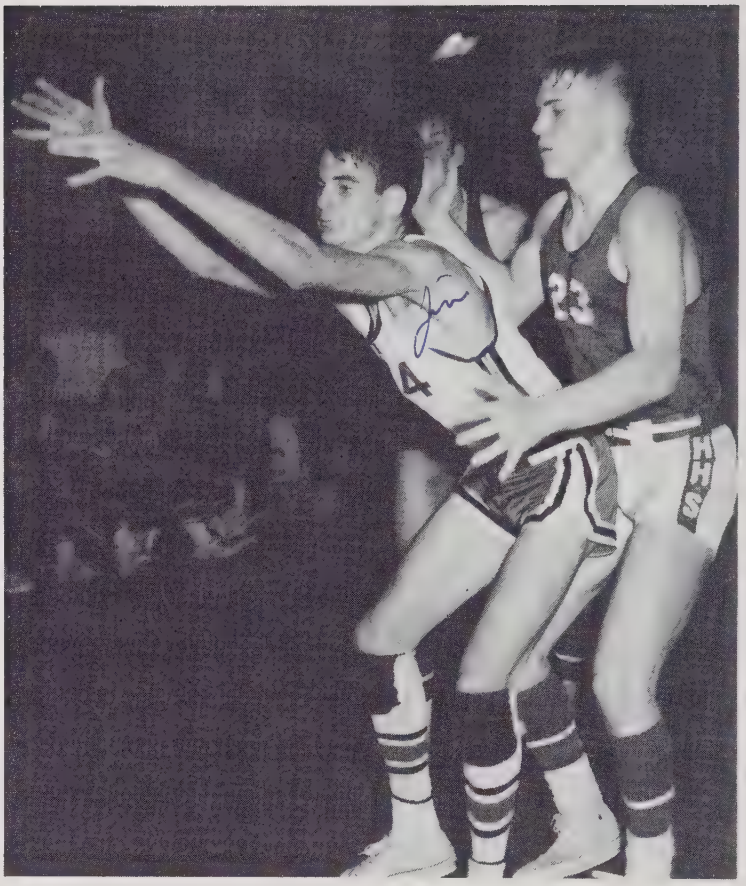
DANNY RAY



BOBBY DeBRUHL

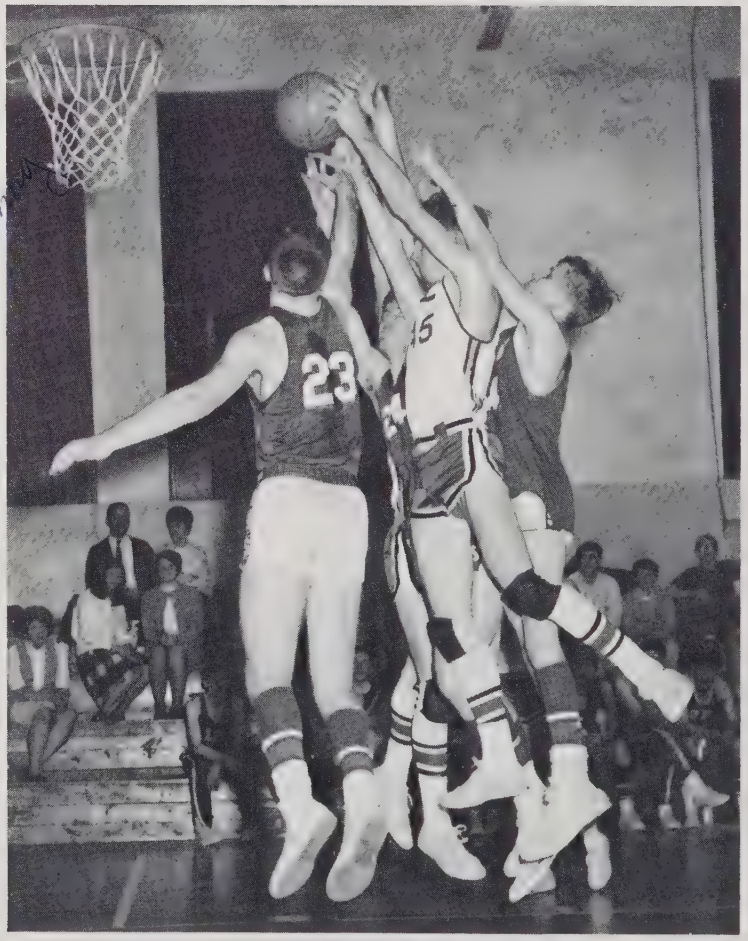
EDDIE WHEELER

The Wildcats enjoyed a most successful season under the first year coaching of Coach Pat Sams. The team's potential was multiplied by togetherness and desire. The disciplined offense became virtually unbeatable. The year was begun with the usual fine effort, but little was it suspected that such great heights would be achieved.

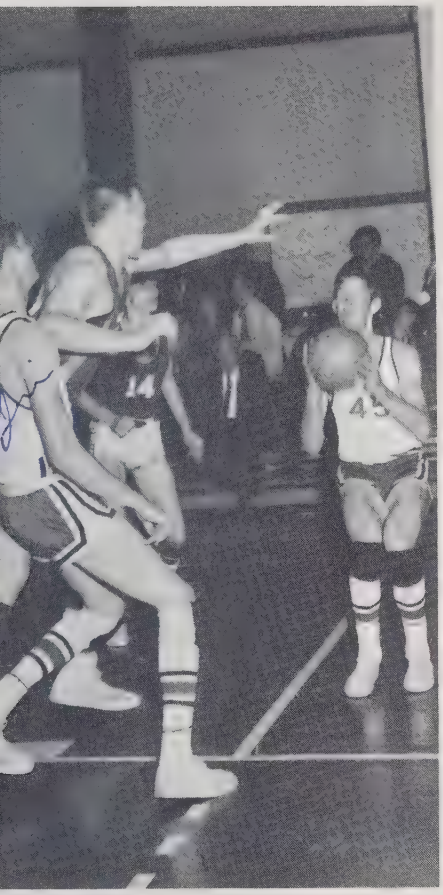


Twist and shout!

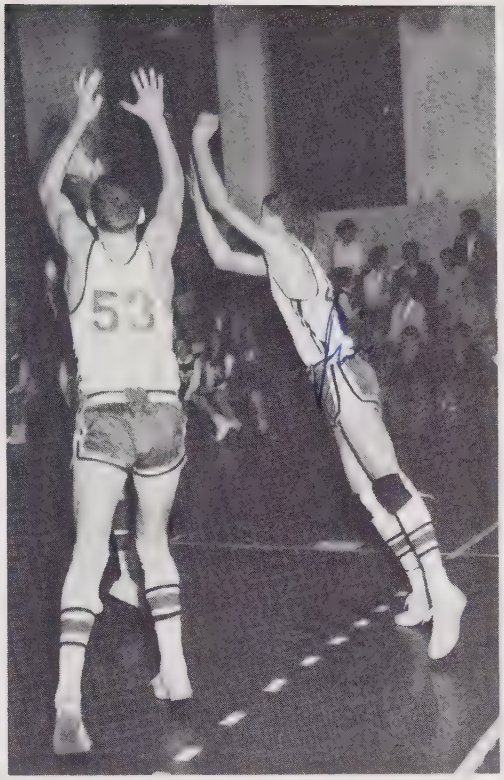
Sophisticated but Wild Cats!



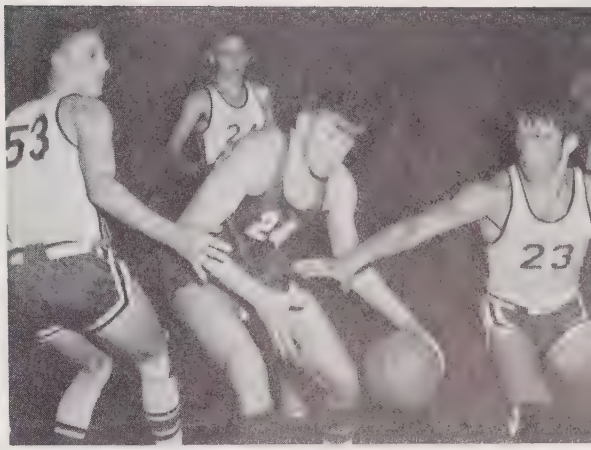
Up up and away!



Hey! Look at me.

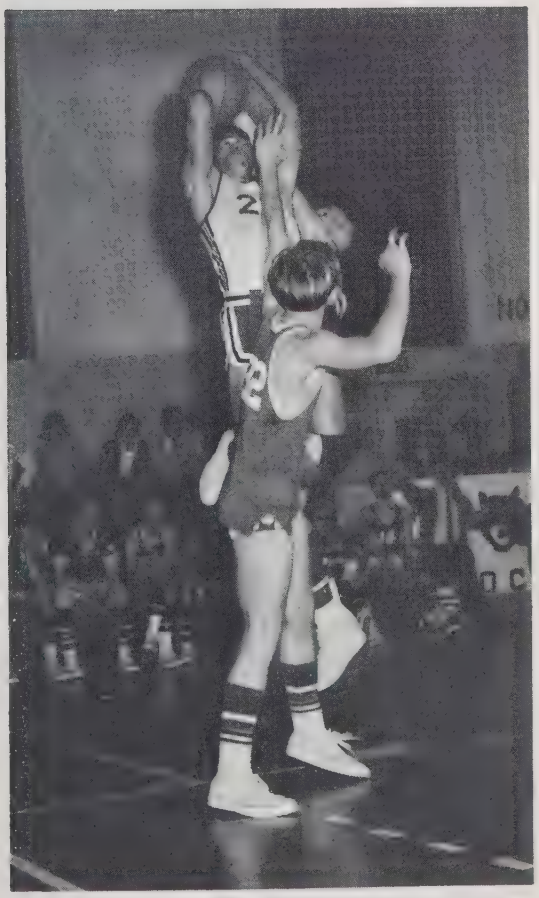


Our Cats are so tall-sqush!



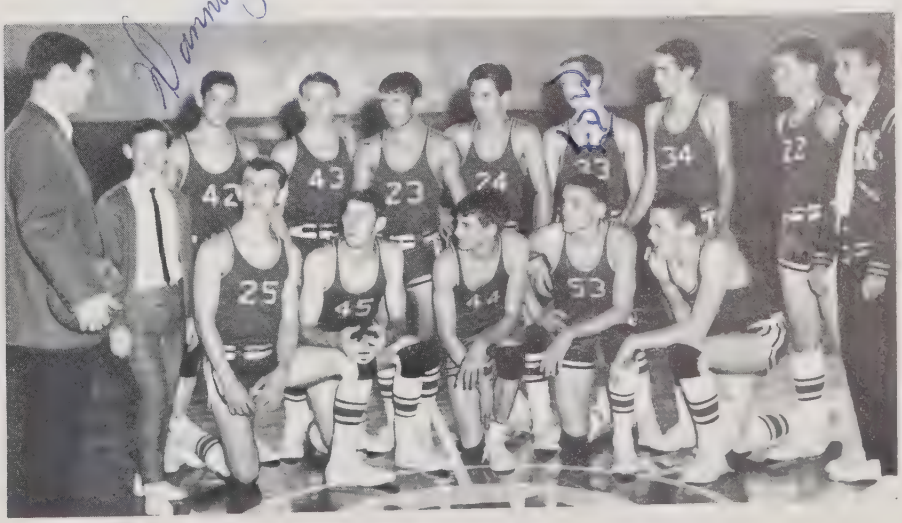
Smile! You're on Candid Camera.

Bum! Bum! Bum! Here we come!



Captain Nice!

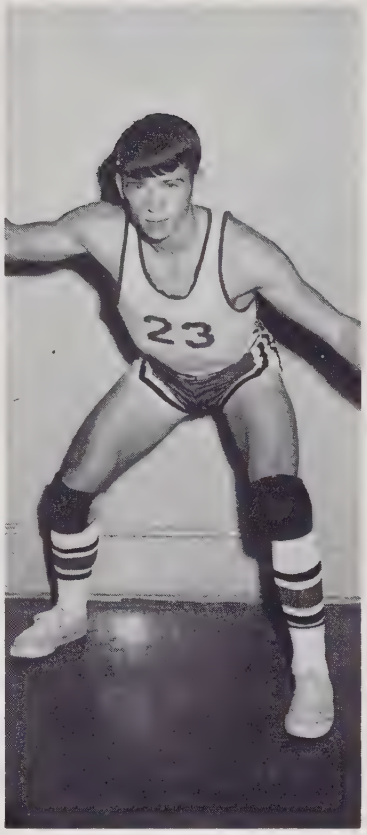
Strong defense and agressive rebounding contributed greatly to our ball club's overall success. Long days of practice and hard work showed without a doubt how team work works.



A team that plays together stays together.

SENIOR STARS

"Senior Stars" . . . merely a title or name which includes all who have attained seniority? Not in the case of the 1968 Wildcat ballhandlers! Our athletes, this year, have shown that they are truly "Stars" in all aspects of the word. Through four years of sacrificing, they have contributed to upholding the Wildcat tradition. Their motto: Sportsmanship and Victory. They filled our hearts with pride, and we encouraged them to meet all opponents with the spirit of victory and enthusiasm.

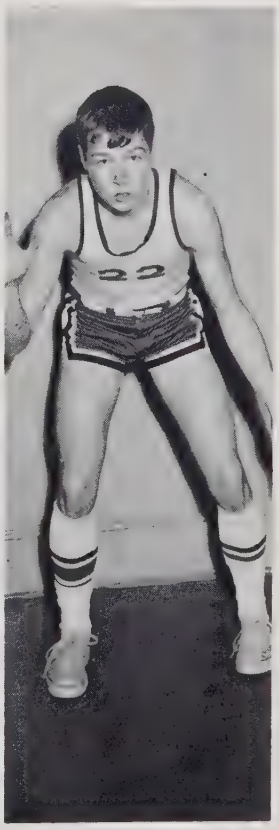


L. J. HAMLIN

JERRY HONEYCUTT

JIM HUFF

HEY, LEROY! WHERE IS THE BASKET?



STEVE HUFF

BOBBY DEBRUHL

J. V. BOYS

This group of outstanding young men have shown without question that they truly deserve to be included among the ranks of "Wildcat athletes." Their ambitious spirit and enthusiasm carried them through as they rode the wave toward victory. With added experience their remarkable abilities will prove to be a great asset to our varsity ball club in years to come.

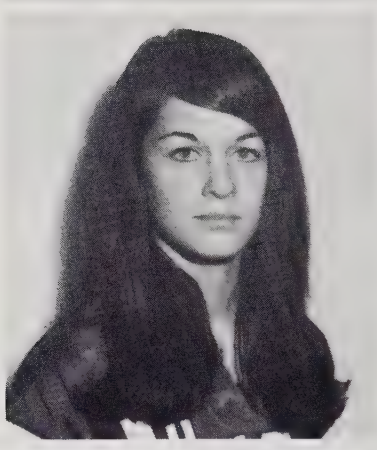
J. V. GIRLS

These young performers, their abilities not having been surpassed, have added another beam to the brightness of our future varsity teams. They restored confidence within themselves as each point flashed upon the scoreboard. The foreseeable future holds for them visions of promise, victory, but most of all the exemplary spirit of MHHS.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

JANET BUCKNER

DIANE BOONE



BRENDA CODY

NANCY THOMAS

REA DUNIVAN

LORA HUNTER

JEWEL HOLLAN

MARTHA WEST

ROSEMARY TINSLEY

COACH MOSS

SARAH FAYE SPRINKLE

SUSIE MURRAY

KAY JARVIS

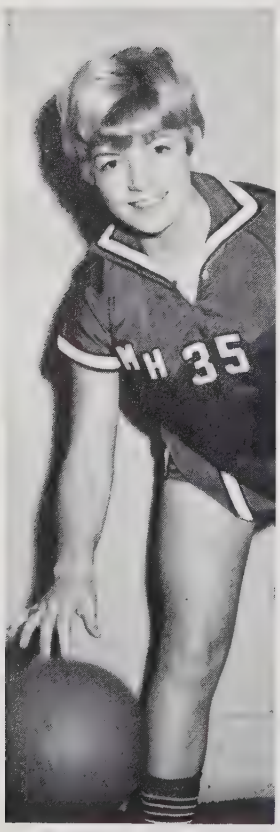
PAT RAMSEY

JUANITA WILLIS

SENIOR STARS

Our girl's team was certainly high-spirited this year. Their high spirits were shown in the way the team on the bench supported the team on the floor. Togetherness played a large part in the success of our great girl's team. They displayed great vigor, vitality, and enthusiasm even in the face of defeat.

On the floor .....and in the air



Nancy Thomas

Juanita Willis

Jewel Hollan

Rosemary Tinsley

Sarah Sprinkle

Captains and coach talk it over.

Proud and spirited!

Sorry about that Coach!

Pat Ramsey

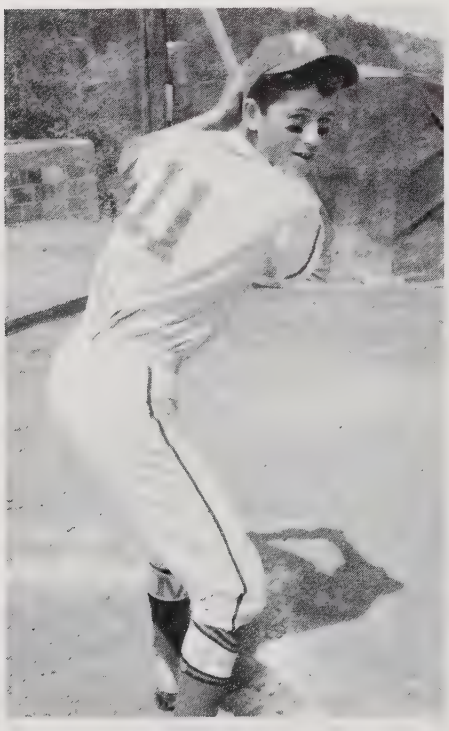
Susie Murray

Mighty as the wind!

1967 BASEBALL

The powerful nucleus of veterans answered the initial call for candidates as the Mars Hill "Wildcats" began their 1967 season. Twenty young men carried the load as the "Cats" entered competition the tough Appalachian Conference. Returning hurlers Dennis Tweed and Tony Sluder contributed a great pitching strength. They were joined by Lanny Robinson and Tommy Boone on first base, Richie Rice and David Thomas on second base, and Fred Ray and Roy Shook on third. Holding ground behind the plate was Jerry Honecutt who also led the squad in home-run hitting. Short stop, L. J. Hamlin, combined his abilities to hit hard, run fast, and field almost any ball in his path to boost the team onward. Left fielder, Sammy Peek, was always there when a hit was needed and could be depended on to "come through" in periods of stress. The leading batting average was attained by Tony Sluder with a 572, and our extremely capable second baseman, Richie Rice, held down the second highest batting average with a 450. Center fielders Bob Holcomb, Dean Norton, and Richard Edwards gave the varsity squad a tight coverage in their area. Garold Metcalf, Garry Shook, Kelsy Ferguson, and Ben Jolly were capable of the duties of the right fielder, while Cline Gosnell and Harry Dillingham added their abilities to play left field. Managers Dale Ammons and Vance Ingle made certain that our boys were well equipped and ready to "play ball". The 1967 Wildcat baseball team worked hard and played well, a fact which is evidenced by their conference title and overall season record. In the final games, the "Cats" downed Nebo 9 to 0 but were defeated in Shelby by Crest 8 to 0. We are truly proud of our boys and are assured that the 1968 season will lead to even greater heights.

Tony Sluder



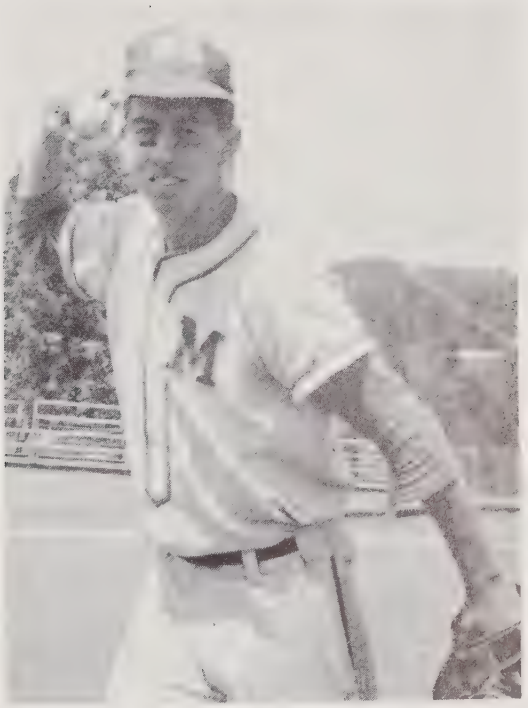
Sammy Peek

Hard work, intensive practice, vigorous spirit are the formula for this great Wildcat team's success!

Roy Shook, Richard Edwards, Cline Gosnell

The 1967 record was Impressive:

MARS HILL	OPPONENT	
3	Hot Springs	4
21	Laurel	1
12	Hot Springs	2
13	Laurel	3
9	East Yancey	1
7	Marshall	2
2	East Yancey	3
4	Marshall	2
9	Nebo	0
0	Crest	8



MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
Dennis Tweed

With several returning lettermen and good prospective baseball players, our line-up for the 1968 season looks very good! Good luck, boys! Remember this as you begin another successful season:

"We're with 'ya, Mars Hill High! Let's go!!"

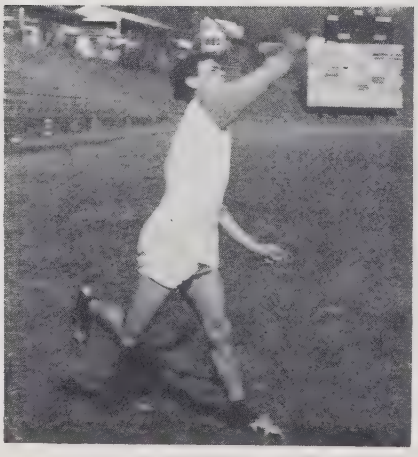
BOYS' TRACK

Track helps to develop endurance, coordination, and muscular keeness. Each member of the team learns to become self-reliant, for track more or less depends on individual effort. As any other form of athletics, track requires devotion to duty and an immense amount of hard work. Only through practice and determination can skill be developed. Under the direction of Coach J. C. Moss, our 1968 team consisting of Paul Shelton, Vance Ingle, Jimmy Hall, Jerry Shelton, Donny Griffin, Larry Fox, Steve Huff, Edwin Fisher, Johnny Griffin, David Briscoe, Dale Hylemon, Harlan Wilson, and Eddie Maney made superior showing in running the mile, the 100-yard dash, throwing shot, broad jumping, and high jumping. They truly contributed to the great spirit of MHHS.

Are you ready? Go, 'Cats, Go!

Run, boys, run!

We're coming to take you away!



Uuh!

Ooh!

Ahh!

GIRLS' TRACK

Track is an athletic activity of interest to both boys and girls. As in other phases of athletes, emphasis is placed not only on the desire to win, but also on the importance of sportsmanship and fair play. True sportsmanship is developed through competition with other schools in track meets. Displaying the spirit of Mars Hill 1968 with vigor and enthusiasm were Sarah Sprinkle, Diane Coates, Susie Murray, Martha West, Janet Buckner, Jewel Hollan, Brenda Cody, Lora Hunter, Pat Ramsey, Betty Grigg, Juanita Willis, Nellie Norton, Linda Yelton, Emma Lou Angel, and Diane Boone. Under the instruction of Coach J. C. Moss, these young women contributed much to the athletic program of Mars Hill High.

Suspended animation!

On your mark, get set, GO!

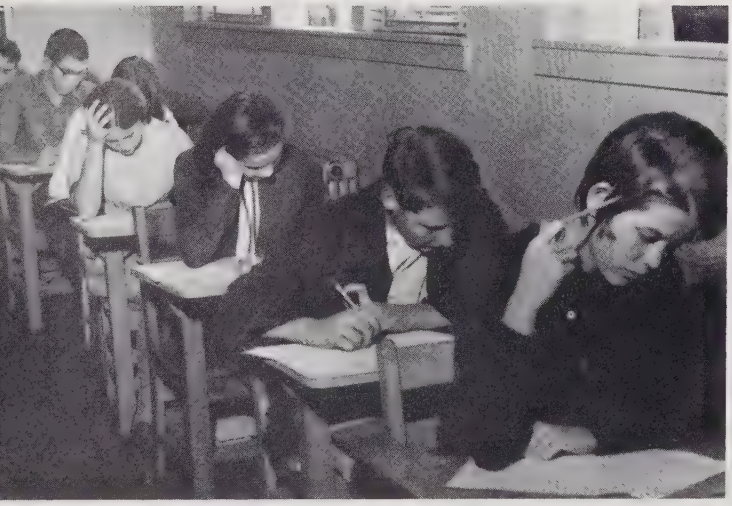
Like this, Diane!

Poetry in motion!

APRIL & MAY

April 14 . . . A date circled in red on Senior's calendars . . . the beginning of an eagerly awaited and fun-filled, as well as educational, trip to Washington and New York. The hours were filled with sightseeing and enjoying the magnitude of these two fascinating cities. Buses, cafeterias, motels, hotels, eyestrain, necks sore from stretching, and feet swollen and tired from walking are very characteristic memories of a week enjoyed to the fullest and to be remembered always. Another climactic event was the Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom on which the rising Senior Class spent many hours of preparation and hard work. Not to be forgotten in the closing rush of another school year were our final exams — truly final for the soon-to-be graduates, while another beginning for all other MHHS'ers.

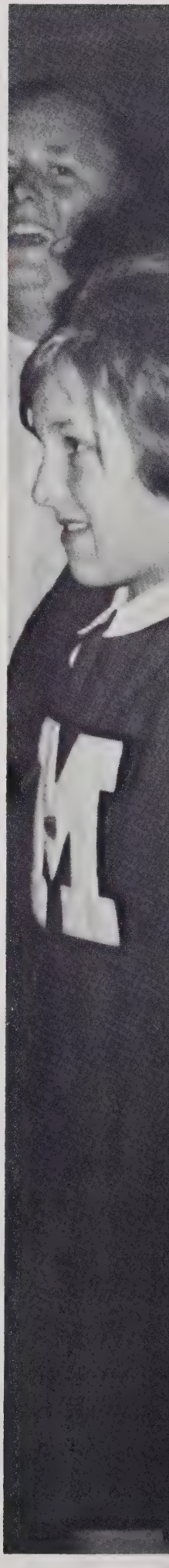
All aboard for the joy ride!



Now, I should know *that*!?!

Remember Richmond at 6:00 AM?

Alright, alright — all ready!



PERSONALITIES

MR. AND MISS MARS HILL

TONY SLUDER AND DEBBIE FERGUSON

T. W. I. R. P. KING & QUEEN

JERRY SHELTON AND BETTY GRIGG

BACHELOR OF UGLINESS

BOBBY DEBRUHL

POWDER PUFF QUEEN

BOB HOLCOMBE

1967 HOMECOMING QUEEN

MISS KATHY ROBINSON

HOMECOMING

SENIOR ATTENDANT

SHERRY BRIGGS

JUNIOR ATTENDANT

REBECCA SAMS

SOPHOMORE ATTENDANT

ELAINE RAY

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL QUEEN

JANET LEE

MISS SENIOR CLASS

NANCY THOMAS

MISS JUNIOR CLASS

REBECCA SAMS

MISS SOPHOMORE CLASS

MARY SUE WILLIS

MISS FRESHMAN CLASS

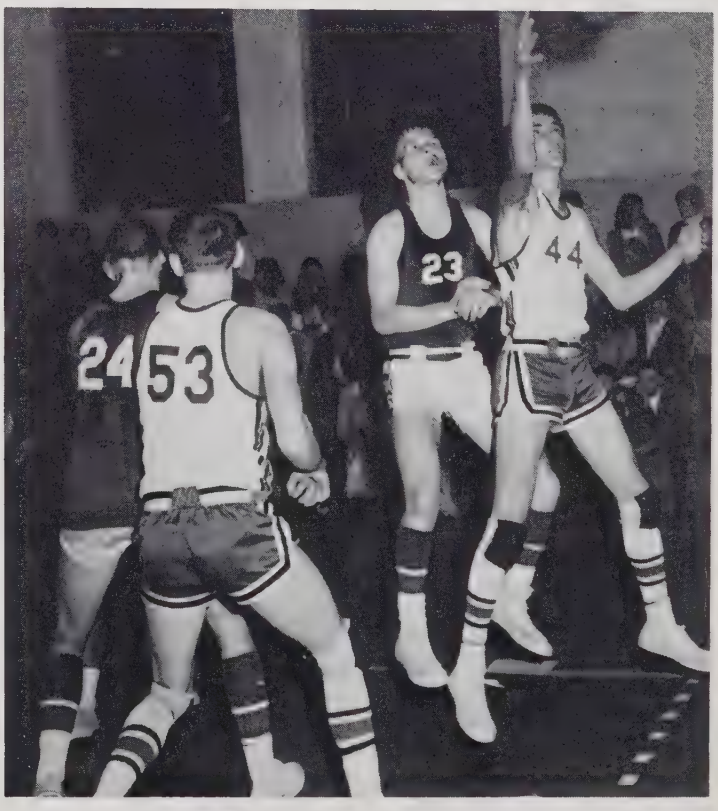
JUDY BOONE

Leaders in school spirit

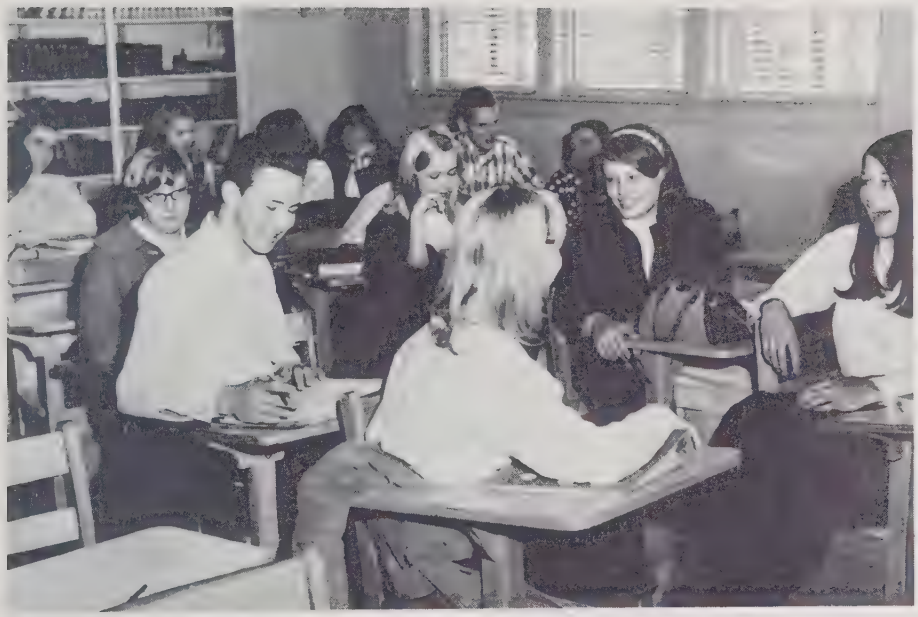
Participants in school spirit

Spirit of teamwork

Spirit of competition



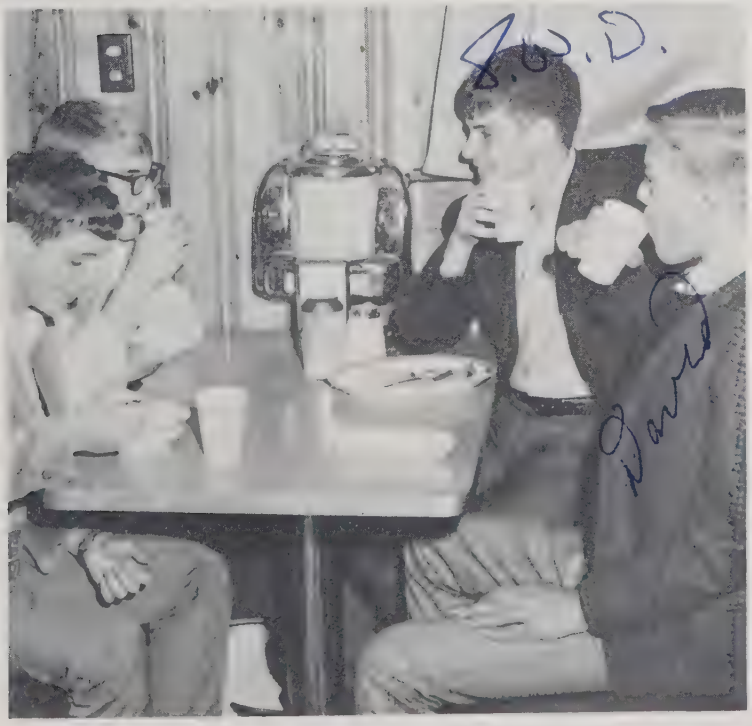
Spirit of victory



Spirited Students

Spirit of undying enthusiasm

The Christmas spirit



The post-game spirit

Spirit of Homecoming

1968 — a year that marked the culmination of high school experiences and underscored the tremendous challenges of future years for 82 eager seniors. We have many wonderful memories to cherish of our years at MHHS — of the fun and fellowship gained through scholastic and extra-curricular activities. We can never forget the highlights of our Senior year — class meetings, our class picnic, the Senior play, and the unforgettable trip to Washington and New York — experiences of excitement and despair, of joy and sorrow. Time cannot erase their significance.

The Spirit of '68!

The Spirit of togetherness

The Spirit of adventure

A High-Spirited success!

Our honor cords . . . a symbol

Too good to be true!

As high school life came to an end for the seniors, it was climaxed by a ceremony which was sacred to all attending. For some if was the end of their school career, and for others it was only the first step in preparing them for a good college education.

A feeling of satisfaction and thankfulness to God for His leadership filled all the Seniors as the diplomas were placed in their hands. This diploma was more than just a piece of paper, it was a symbol of their toils, disappointments, ambitions, and accomplishments.

The faces of the Seniors were filled with varied expressions. Some revealed reverent awe and suspense, and others disclosed tears — tears of both joy and sorrow. Still other countenances appeared confident and serene. However, all faces revealed solemn honor, and all Seniors were proud that they could call M.H.H.S. their own.

The Seniors listened to the inspirational and guiding words of the speakers which revealed new hope and encouragement. They realized that this graduation was not the end of all they had strived for, but that it was only the beginning of the long trail to success.

While each Senior recalled the highlights of his high school career, he realized that not only did he have a substantial beginning in the vast world of knowledge, but also that he had learned to trust in them, to laugh with them, and to think of them.

Graduation night saw dreams come true and prayers answered. The Seniors left, hesitating to catch a lingering tinge of the past, but ready to approach the future with reassurance, courage, and faith.

Moment of great expectation — the conclusion and the beginning!

To those who have so kindly and graciously made the financial aspects of our yearbook more pleasant, the 1968 Wildcat Staff extends a warm and appreciative "THANK YOU"!

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The Little Shop
Ledford's Grocery
Mars Hill Florist
Mars Hill Beauty Shop
Howell's Radio & T. V.
Velva's Beauty Shop
Buck's Green Valley Dairy Bar
Sue's Beauty Shop

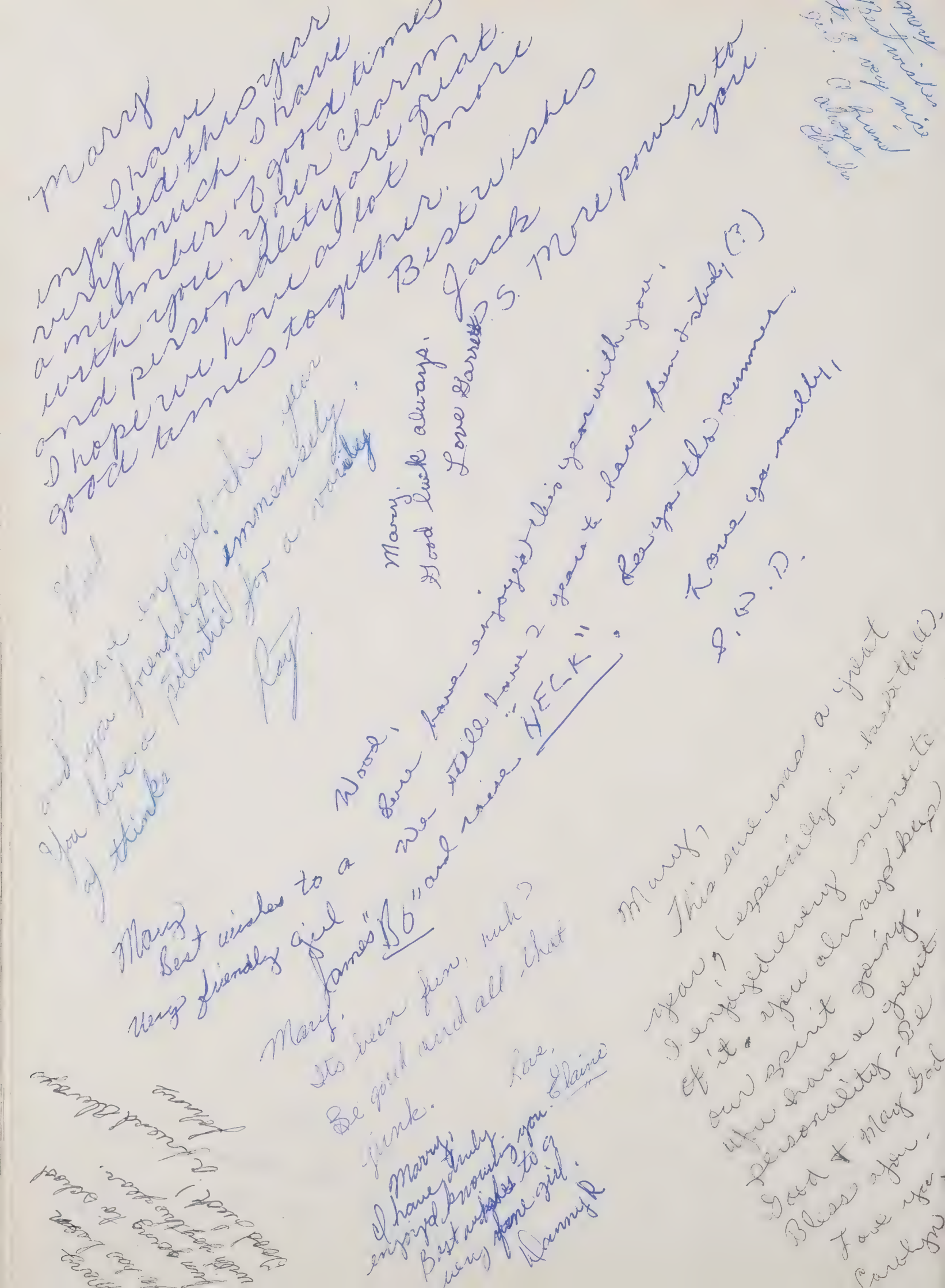
Mary
It has been one
of my sincere pleasures
knowing you for the past two
years. Your wonderful personality
has took you far and will continue
to do so.
Your one of the most friendlest
girls I know, and smartest.
I'm going know I'm just
taking up space, so bye
Best Wishes
Bob Eaton

Mary
Best wishes
to a very nice
girl.
Roger Honeycutt

Mary
I have really enjoyed
going to school with you
in all these years
and I hope to more.

Mary
I'm truly glad
to have the pleasure
to sign your annual.
In that I think your
a completely lovely girl
always a good
friend, Paul.
Me too!
Stewart

Mary,
This has been a most
enjoyable year. Best luck
always,
Jerry



Mary
I have
enjoyed this year
very much. I have
a number of good times
with you. Your charm
and personality are great.
I hope we have a lot more
good times together.
Best wishes
Jack
P.S. More power to
you.

Mary,
Good luck always.
Love Garrett

Mary
Best wishes to a
very friendly girl
James "Bo"

Mary,
Its been fun, huh?
Be good and all that
junk.
Love,
Elaine

Mary,
I have truly
enjoyed knowing you.
Best wishes to a
very fine girl.
Danny R

Mary,
This sure was a great
year, (especially in basketball).
I enjoyed every minute
of it. You always keep
our spirit going.
You have a great
personality. Be
Good & May God
Bless you.
Love you,
Carolyn

Mary
I have enjoyed the year
and you friendship immensely.
You have a potential for a variety
of thinks
Ray

Mary,
Good luck always.
Love Garrett

Wood,
Sure have enjoyed this year with you.
We still have 2 years to have fun & study (?)
Keep this summer.
Love you madly,
S.W.D.

Mary
Best wishes to a
very friendly girl
James "Bo" and raise "HECK".

Mary
Best wishes to a
very nice
girl. A friend
always
Wesley

Mary
I have enjoyed the year
and you friendship immensely.
You have a potential for a variety
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Ray

Mary
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I enjoyed every minute
of it. You always keep
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You have a great
personality. Be
Good & May God
Bless you.
Love you,
Carolyn

Mary,
I really have
I really this yr, it
enjoyed this yr, it
enjoyed this yr, it
at M H H's being w/ the
you in basketball & have had
Driver's Ed. We have to remember
some good times to forget. I wish you
and had ones to forget. I wish you
the best in everything you accomplish.
Next year, we will rip Marshall up in
everything. You a senior & me a Senior - Lea
Always a good friend,
"Stumpy"

Mary,
It's really been a
great year! Best of
luck always.
A friend,
Elaine

Mary,
I can merely say that in the few years that I've known you, I've become very much fond of you. I think you have a very sweet personality and your certainly the lovely girl you are now. My entire feelings toward your future life, is sucess which I'm sure you'll have. I consider you one of nicest persons of Mars H. High School and want to say best wishes to you and everything you exceed. I hold as a deep personal friend you and all of your family. Always a true pal (lover) to you,
Paul Shelton.

P.S.
A few words to Joan; very glad you could sign my annual and I'm pleased.

P.S.
And Mary I hope we see each other many times this summer as I know we will. Don't wreack your farther's car and stay lovely, the way you are,
love ya,
Paul Douglas

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Mary,
Its been nice knowing you this past year. Stay as nice and sweet as you are now and I'm sure you will go far.

Love,
Jimmy

Mary
I have enjoyed this year with you in Biology, W.H. and English. I hope to see you next year. In the time I have known you, I have decided that you are a remarkible young girl especially with the teachers.
Everett

Mary.
It has been a pleasure being in class with you this year. I have especially enjoyed competition in sports with you. You are one of the nices girls I know.
Rest Luck in the Future
Howell.